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Greenwood Town Meeting:

Budget holds line; TIF proposed

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Greenwood residents will consider a municipal budget at their May 16 Town Meeting that includes a \$750,000 road bond request and a proposal to establish a tax increment financing (TIF) district.

Town Manager Kim Sparks said last week that if the proposed expense budget of \$1,150,496 is approved and the school budget share estimate is correct, "we are looking at a flat mill rate."

The expense budget is down 2 percent from last year, she said.

The mill rate is currently 12.5.

Sparks said all the town department budgets are the same as last year or less.

The town's revenue is down 4 percent, to \$261,331,

due to loss of revenue from the state, she said.

The road bond request is higher than the most recent one approved, which was \$500,000, Sparks said.

"We will be asking to apply for \$750,000, as we have many roads in need of repair," she said.

If approved, the funds would be used for repairs or maintenance to the following roads, which have been prepped for paving: Richardson Hollow, Hayes Hill and Patch Mountain.

Big ticket items on the warrant include \$244,899 for the Administrative Budget; \$92,200 proposed for the Fire Department Budget; \$55,600 for the Transfer Station; and \$405,600 for the Highway Department.

Selectmen are also pro-

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Grover property lien in junkyard dispute

BY ALISON ALOISIO

The Town of Greenwood has placed a "judgment lien" on the Rowe Hill Road property of Doug and Bertha Grover in connection with a long-time case the town has had against them for violations of the state property/junkyard maintenance law.

The move sets the stage for the town to remove material from the property.

The couple owes Greenwood a total of \$17,612 in fines and attorney's fees, accumulated as a result of several years of effort by the town through its own enforcement and court cases to get them to clean up their property.

They were ordered last fall by an Oxford County

Superior Court judge to do the clean up, but they instead filed an appeal that put the process on hold, according to Greenwood Town Manager Kim Sparks.

In February, the couple was denied the appeal. The Grovers had asked the court to be allowed to submit 2013 and 2014 receipts for materials brought to West Paris Metal Recycling LLC, intended to show that they have been cleaning up.

But the court denied the submission, saying additional evidence could not be accepted on appeal.

Copies of the receipts provided by the town list such items as aluminum,

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A. Wight Chapman
Gary Brearley with the experimental homebuilt plane he has been working on for six years in his Gilead garage. He recently brought it to a hangar at the Bethel Airport to complete the final assembly and expects to be flying it this summer.

Building his own wings

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Gary Brearley has had a lifelong fascination with flying. He took his first solo flight at the age of 20 and has been involved with airplanes in some way ever since.

But he had never owned a plane of his own until he decided to build one himself.

This summer, after six years of work to assemble it, he expects to take off from the Bethel Airport for the first time in his Van's Aircraft RV-9A, a single-engine experimental homebuilt plane.

Brearley served for several years in the U.S. Air Force and later worked as a designer for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft in Florida. He is currently a major in the Maine Wing Civil Air Patrol, where he has also been a squadron commander and a wing safety

officer.

Originally from New York City, he has had a varied career that included stints as a stockbroker, a laboratory manager in California, and the manager of a commercial and residential building company in Atlanta.

Along the way, he became good at nearly every aspect of building, renovation, and repair. It turned out to be the perfect skill set for the life he has led in the Bethel area since the early 1990s.

A hands-on "retirement" "I wanted to sort of retire," Brearley said of the circumstances that brought him to western Maine. "I wanted to buy an old house, fix it up, and run a bed-and-breakfast."

An avid skier, he started looking near ski areas for a house to renovate. After a couple of trips to Sunday River, he decided to purchase the former Tiny

Thurston home on Route 2 in Mayville.

Being both handy and optimistic, Brearley was undeterred by the scale of the project ahead of him.

"When I bought it, the house had only one bathroom and the second story had been sealed off since 1920," he said.

He built four second-floor guestrooms and opened the Briar Lea Inn in 1993, eventually adding two more bedrooms on the third floor and installing a total of ten bathrooms.

Brearley did the extensive renovations himself, from carpentry to plumbing, and when, a few years after opening the inn, he decided to add a restaurant, he also became the cook.

After selling the Briar Lea in 2005, he became certified as a home inspector and started Acorn Home Inspection Services, putting to use his 25 years of

design and construction experience.

He has also worked at Bethel Bicycle, where his mechanical abilities made him a natural at adjusting and repairing bikes.

He continues to be active in the Civil Air Patrol, the auxiliary of the USAF, which has squadrons throughout the country, including seven in Maine.

Brearley said the CAP mission focuses on aerospace education, cadet programs, and emergency services such as search and rescue efforts and transporting urgently needed medicine.

"We meet every week in Lewiston, and practice search and rescue scenarios every month at different squadrons. We have an encampment every summer for the cadets [ages 12 to 18] in the program. It's a great organi-

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Andover selectmen criticized, defended at OXBAR hearing

BY ALISON ALOISIO

"Andover needs a revaluation," Wade Rainey, chairman of the Oxford County Board of Assessment Review, said at a hearing last week.

"I don't think a reval is

an excuse for [the selectmen] not to do their job," retorted Andover resident Brenda Stickney, who appeared before the board on an abatement appeal for her two rustic, but new, cabins.

Stickney was critical of

the town's inconsistent values for properties, particularly older ones compared to those with newer construction. Andover has not had a revaluation done since 1990.

But, she said, Andover selectmen should be

bringing the older properties more in line with recent ones, and she used Selectman Keith Farrington's property as an example of one that she said is undervalued

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Newry board talks conflict of interest

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Conflict of interest, a topic that has occupied a significant amount of Newry officials' time in recent months, surfaced again at Tuesday's selectmen's meeting.

At issue was a vote at the last meeting by Selectmen Jim Largess and Gary Wight (Wendy Hanscom was absent) to reduce the assessments on quartershare units in town by 25 percent, due to a steady decline in resale value over the past decade.

Largess noted at the time he is on the homeowners' associations boards for the quartershares at the

Summit and Grand Jordan Hotels, where there are a total of 1,664 quartershares. Largess is also the vice president for food and beverage at Sunday River Resort.

Resident Doug Webster, who attended the meeting, wrote about the issue in his town column in the Citizen, saying he believed the vote should be retaken with Largess abstaining, because of a possible conflict of interest.

Largess offered to do that Tuesday if Wight and Hanscom believed there was a problem. Hanscom said the board had been

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One of the Andover cabins owned by Brenda Stickney.

Submitted photo

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Letters

TOWNSHIPS MEETING WITH COUNTY OFFICIALS

To the Editor:

All residents and taxpayers of Albany, Mason, Milton and Riley Townships are invited to meet with Oxford County officials on May 20 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Albany Town House.

A discussion session and a Q/A period will address issues including upcoming road work, taxes and the mechanics of budget adoption at the state level and how these issues affect the townships' tax bills.

We are hoping that meetings like this will occur on an annual basis in order to keep an open dialogue between the County officials and the community on important issues regarding the unorganized territories of Oxford County.

Bob O'Brien, AIA president
Albany

COME TO HEALTHY COMMUNITIES GATHERING

To the Editor:

Healthy Community Gatherings have been happening around Oxford County as we all strive toward creating a healthier county. These gatherings are open to all and are meant to help us connect with one another as we build our community.

I participated in the first series of six discussions in Bethel and found it to be a wonderful experience. I'm planning to come to the second series of six which begins on Tuesday, May 12 and will run from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The gatherings will take place at Crescent Park School. Please come and join together with people, young and old and everyone in between, who care about creating new connections in the Bethel area. There will be snacks, and childcare is available if you need it.

I hope to see lots of new participants. No preparation is needed; just show up and join the conversation! Call Susan Parker at 824 4767 or Bonnie Pooley at 381 7944 if you need more info, or check our Facebook page: Healthy Community Gatherings.

Bonnie Pooley
Bethel

THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY

To the Editor:

On behalf of Rite Aid, I would like to thank the generosity of our customers and the community for helping us raise funds for the Children's Miracle Network. Together, we were able to raise over \$1,400 and exceeded our goal. This money will be donated to the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital to benefit the many children of Maine who need medical help.

Special thanks to the following businesses who allowed us to put money jars in their stores: Matterhorn Ski Bar & Restaurant, Nabos, Philbrook Place, The Local Hub and Crossroads Diner. Thank you very much for the support!

Elba Sacris-Bove, Wellness Ambassador
Bethel

THE EDDY CELEBRATION

To the Editor:

Our community is invited to The Eddy School campus in Newry on May 15 at 7 p.m. to join students and staff for a Gratitude Gala. The Eddy will be recognizing tried and true supporters and while all are gathered - Deb Webster's got amazing news to share. You'll enjoy a short presentation by current students as well. Not just for families of middle-schoolers, this event is for all of us. No matter your own age or which school you or yours attend, you'll want to celebrate with us on May 15. After all, educational choices bring value to everyone in any community. It's so good to be a part of what is going on in yours!

Coffee and dessert, great company - I can't wait and I look forward to seeing you all there.

Deb Doyle
Bethel

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing topics they believe to be of interest to the community.

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MAY IS LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

To the Editor:

Spring is finally here after a very long winter! Snow is melting, flowers are starting to bloom, things are beginning to turn green again and TICKS are out and on the move! Don't be lulled into a false sense of security. Unfortunately, according to epidemiologists, the long, hard, cold winter will have little impact on this year's tick population. Nymphal ticks living in grass, brush, leaf litter etc. at this time of the year are about the size of the period at the end of this sentence. Because they are so small, they are often overlooked and can infect a person with Lyme disease and/or a whole host of other tick-borne illnesses without them even knowing they've been bitten. Although the "bull's eye" rash is touted as the classic symptom of Lyme disease, according to Maine's Center for Disease Control (CDC) web site, only about HALF those diagnosed with Lyme disease actually present with or remember a rash. Some don't even remember the tick!

So, in a state with Lyme disease recognized in every county, with thousands of new cases diagnosed each year, how can we all enjoy the great outdoors of Maine with the least amount of risk for contracting a tick-borne illness? PREVENTION! Protecting yourself, your loved ones and your pets from being bitten is the very best way to avoid infection. When you're outside, wear a repellent with at least 25 percent DEET which is safe even by American Pediatric Association standards. If you are reluctant to applying chemicals directly to your skin, permethrin spray is available for spraying your "outdoor" clothing and lasts through several washings. Some people may choose to try/use "natural" repellents. It is a personal choice. However, please be aware that, although these may work, there is no way to know how effective they are and/or for how long that effectiveness may last. That being said, natural repellents, in my opinion, are a better option than none! So if you wouldn't go out in the sun without sunscreen then don't go out into tick habitat without a repellent of some kind.

Other things you can do: stay out of deep grass as much as possible. If you hike, or are in the woods stay on paths when you can. Wear a hat, light colored clothing, long pants and long sleeved shirts. Tuck your pant legs into your socks. DO TICK CHECK AT LEAST ONCE A DAY! Even better, every time you come in from outside. Use your fingers to FEEL for ticks. You will recognize anything that FEELS different before you will see it. Make sure you check all the "favorite" spots - behind your knees, in back of and/or IN your ears, under your arms, in your groin area, on your hairline, on your scalp just to name a few.

If you should find an attached tick, what should you do? First, don't panic! Use a pair of needle-nosed tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible and pull it straight out. Although we have all heard that you should burn them off, smother them with Vaseline, use dish soap and/or a million others PLEASE DON'T DO IT! Yes, all of those things might work - maybe even easier than using tweezers. But it's not just about getting the tick off you it's about getting it off you without agitating it. Ticks carry whatever disgusting bacteria they may have in their mid-gut. If it becomes agitated in the removal process it is much more likely to spew its infectious load into your body greatly increasing your chance of getting sick. Despite the belief that ticks must be attached for 24 to 48 hours for any disease transmission, there is research showing that some ticks can actually have the bacteria in their saliva and can therefore transmit immediately. To be on the safe side, I say ANY attached tick is cause for concern. So become tick savvy.

To learn more about Lyme disease, ticks and other tick-borne illness check out these web sites: mainlyticks.com, ILADS.org, lymediseaseassociation.org or mtvalleyldac@yahoo.com and enjoy all the great outdoors tick free!

Rhonda Buker and Diane Farnum
Mt. Valley Lyme Disease Awareness Coalition

From the Greenwood Town Office

BY KIM SPARKS, TOWN MANAGER

Greetings from the Greenwood Town Office.

Hope this finds everyone having a wonderful spring. We are getting ready for our Annual Town Meeting, to be held on May 16 at 9 a.m. at the Legion Hall on Gore Road. Town Reports are printed and available at the Greenwood Town Office. If you are unable to stop by and pick up a copy we will have them available at Town Meeting - or simply call our office and we will work on getting a copy to you. (207) 875-2773.

The Greenwood Fire Department and Auxiliary will be starting up their annual Firemen's Fish Fry Fridays starting Friday, May 8 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. \$10 for a plate of fish and fries and \$8 for a plate of chicken nuggets and fries. Both plates come with coleslaw, drink, and desert. Dine in or take out. All proceeds support our Greenwood Fire Department. Look for their Fry schedule on the last page of our Annual Report.

Saturday, May 2 brought new changes to our G & W Transfer Station. We are changing over to the Zero Sort Recycling Program. Things will look a bit different when you arrive at the Station. There will be two compactors - one for all of the recyclables and the other for household trash. Users will no longer need to sort their recyclables before arriving at the Station. Simply bring your recyclables in a box or bag and deposit them all into the recycling compactor. We are in hopes that this will be easier for our users and will encourage folks to recycle more. The more we keep out of the Trash Compactor the better for us all and Mother Earth.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Town Office if you have any questions or need assistance. We are pleased to be at your service.

From the Bethel Town Manager

BY CHRISTINE M. LANDES

As always, it is my pleasure to provide this bi-weekly column for the citizens of Bethel.

This past weekend the Conservation Commission held the annual Green-Up day. Approximately 40 volunteers dedicated their time to clean Davis and Angevine Parks, the Pathway, Sunday River Road, the Gateway, Newt's Landing, Bethel Station, Routes 5 and 2, and Mt. Will. Approximately three yards of trash was collected. I would like to personally thank each and every one that participated to make this event a success and the Conservation Commission for coordinating the event!

ATV registration renewals are now available at the town office. The re-registration annual fee is \$35.00 for a resident machine. Please call the office if you need any other questions answered regarding recreational vehicles.

On May 11 at 7 p.m., the Board of Selectmen will be conducting a Public Hearing regarding fluoride being added to the public drinking water supply. The hearing is in anticipation of the upcoming referendum question in June. If you have any questions, concerns, comments or may be interested in learning about fluoride, I encourage you to attend the meeting.

I have recently gathered a few employees together to create a safety committee. This committee will be tasked with creating a safety protocol for town buildings and employees. It was nice to see enthusiasm amongst the group as we discussed different methods for success. We will be researching the Bureau of Labor Standards and what other towns have in place for routines. This is a win win for the town of Bethel and the employees who serve us.

Central Maine Power recently installed the new street lights near the grocery store and the Route 26/Parkway intersection. I encourage everyone to please provide some input as to the effectiveness of illumination in the area they cover. Also, if you see any street light out around town, please report it to the office and we will relay the information to Central Maine Power.

My apologies for a short report this week. Sometimes they say no news is good news. If there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

NEWS AND PHOTOS FROM CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations.

The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

Photos: When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444.

News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

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Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: The Androscoggin River between Gilead and West Bethel received its first-ever "scatter stocking" of rainbow and brown trout.

Students in Steve Keane's Telstar Challenge class were learning water rescue techniques in preparation for their whitewater canoeing trip.

Deaths: Rita M. O'Neill, Thelma R. Card, Olive C. Williams, Joseph P. Parent, Joseph Aloisio, Sr.

20 years ago: firefighters from three towns fought a blaze that scorched 13 acres of forestland near Grafton Notch State Park on land owned by Boise Cascade Corporation.

Mundt-Allen Post American Legion Poppy Girl for 1995 was Chea Davis, daughter of Vernon and Tammy Davis.

Birth: Gary Howard Williamson, III.

Deaths: Lula M. Turner, Marion G. Hutchins.

30 years ago: Lyndell Carter, vice president of the United Methodist Women, presented Eleanor Parsons and Betty Perkins recognition pins for outstanding duties and service to the Bethel United Methodist Church.

Country western singer Ted White entertained a packed house at Gould Academy.

Births: Kalynda Jo Akers, Christian Raymond Morgan.

Deaths: Arthur I. Bean, Lorraine L. Jones.

40 years ago: The SAD 44 bands presented their spring concert in the Telstar auditorium. An art exhibit featuring junior and senior high work was also on display in the art room during the evening.

The Bethel Savings Bank opened a new branch office in Harrison.

Deaths: Mrs. Ethel M. Crockett, Harold J. Gibbs, Oliver G. Swan.

50 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shimamura had purchased the "Farmers Delle" in Woodstock from Francis Mills, and planned to open around Memorial Day.

More than 150 boys and girls took advantage of the bike safety program at the Legion Rooms, and had their bicycles checked and reflective tape applied to the rear fender.

Birth: Melinda May Mason. **Death:** Mrs. Gertrude H. Cole.

60 years ago: Mrs. Richmond Roderick received second prize, a five horsepower outboard motor, in the Moosehead Lake ice out contest.

Franklin S. Chapman had employment with the State Department of Agriculture in Augusta.

70 years ago: The Van Tel. and Tel. Co. serving Bethel, Gilead, Mason, Newry, Grafton, and parts of Albany, Greenwood and Hanover, listed over 450 numbers.

Victory in Europe was announced.

Deaths: William C. Stearns, Gard M. Goddard, Annie M. Young, Mrs. Nellie Doane.

80 years ago: Crushed rock was being applied to the Bethel-Locke's Mills road.

Tarring the Songo Pond Road between Bethel and the Albany line was being considered.

The Legion Minstrel Show (George A. Mundt Post) played to packed houses in Bethel and Andover.

Deaths: Clark Caswell, Miss Victoria Leonard.

90 years ago: Miss Lillian Westleigh of West Bethel had employment at the Star Lunch, and was staying at Mrs. Zenas Merrill's.

Mr. Eddie Dempsey, golf professional, arrived at Bethel Inn for the summer months.

Birth: Isabelle Kimball.

Deaths: Mrs. Emma Jordan, Mrs. Eunice Smith Hopkins, Mrs. Lucy Bean Bond, Mrs. A.H. Hutchinson.

110 years ago: Boarders had begun to arrive at the Poplar Hotel and Kellogg's summer camp at North Newry.

Death: Elhanan Heath.

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told previously by an attorney that financial gain is the criteria for a conflict. She also said selectmen must disclose any potential appearance of a conflict of interest before voting, which he had done at the last meeting. "You disclosed it, so you're all set," she said.

Largess said he had also researched conflict of interest since the last meeting. He said he does not have a financial interest in the hotels. But, he said, if there is an appearance of a conflict, there could be a concern. "The last thing I want to do is get the town in trouble," he said.

The issue of conflict of interest for selectmen came up within the past year in connection with appointments to the Newry School Withdrawal Committee. Over that time it has been discussed for Hanscom, Wight and Largess.

Resident Tama Drown asked Tuesday how Largess had come to be on the hotel association boards.

He said he is a "commercial" member. Sunday River Resort, he said, rents restaurant and other space at the hotels from the associations, but only owns one quartershare. "We are tenants, not owners," he said.

He joined the board after being appointed as the commercial representative by the association, he

said.

The selectmen, said Largess, had voted on the assessments on residential units, and he does not own one. As far as the vote, he said, "I think I acted in the best interest of the town."

Drown said that at the last meeting the selectmen appeared to already have completed most of the process leading to the vote ahead of the meeting, with a very short discussion taking place at the actual meeting.

But Town Administrator Loreta Powers said the board had discussed the need for addressing the issue at earlier meetings. Added Hanscom, "We said at some point we were going to have to deal with it."

The officials said the state had told the town's assessing agent that the values were out of balance and needed to be adjusted.

Wight said that because the agent had recommended the change, he didn't feel Largess had a conflict in voting on it. "But if it would put the town more at ease, we can revoke," he said.

Drown said it would be helpful to have a more complete explanation of a situation before a vote, for the benefit of others in attendance.

The board declined to revoke, but then briefly discussed further information about the quartershares.

Hanscom said she had

talked to the assessing agent and learned that the resale value of quartershares can also be affected by the homeowners' association fees, not just the strict value of the unit, a factor the town should keep in mind down the road.

Powers said Town Office calculations showed the adjustment in quartershare values reduced their overall valuation by about \$5 million, with a corresponding total tax loss of about \$50,000. But with 13 of 18 new homes or renovations in town over the past year, the town has made up the tax loss.

Road bid, Town Meeting

In other business Tuesday, the town received one bid for a three-year contract for summer and winter road maintenance. It was submitted by Doug Jones of Cross Excavation, which has done the winter maintenance for the past three years. He submitted a lump-sum figure of \$108,000 for each of the next two years, and \$113,000 for the third year, for winter maintenance.

He also offered an alternative of doing it on a time-and-materials basis, with an hourly charge (based on the MDOT equivalent rate for equipment) and a per-unit charge for materials such as salt. His summer bid was also by time/materials.

Selectmen decided to

think over the options before making a decision, which they plan to do May 19.

Because this would be the first time for a combined winter and summer contract, the board also signed a warrant for a special Town Meeting on the 19th at 6 p.m. at the Town Office, to vote to authorize selectmen to enter into such a contract, and allow them to do so for the future.

Selectmen also discussed the possibility of changing from a calendar year to a fiscal year for town financial organization; changing the Town Meeting from March; and/or sending out tax bills twice a year.

The change to a fiscal year would put the town in line with the SAD 44 fiscal year. Powers said this time of year the town can be tight on cash flow, with the town waiting until July to send out tax bills, after the school budget has been determined.

Hanscom said a change-over would likely require either an 18-month or 6-month town budget for the transition period.

Largess said the Town Meeting could remain in March under a fiscal year.

Sending out tax bills twice a year could be done, for example, with due dates in April and October, the officials said.

The board will decide on the issue on the 19th.

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posing a total of \$125,000 to go to several reserve accounts: \$50,000 to the Highway Department Reserve, \$50,000 to the Fire Department Reserve, and \$25,000 to the Building Reserve.

Sparks said those amounts are higher than last year. "Time to save and replenish the reserve accounts," she said.

In town elections, Selectman Amy Chapman's three-year seat is up for a vote and she plans to run again. Sparks said she is not aware of any other candidates. For the SAD 44 School Board, Director Stacy Sandvoss' three-year seat is up. Sparks said it is uncertain if she will run, and town officials have been seeking another candidate if she does not. So far there has been no interest, Sparks said.

TIF proposal

The TIF proposal, crafted by a town committee under the guidance of a consultant, calls for 88 acres in Greenwood to be designated as a TIF district. Under the program the town could "capture" 100 percent of new real and personal property value in the district for a total of 30 years, and use it to fund infrastructure improvements and administrative costs.

According to the application, by creating the district the town "shelters" the increase in municipal valuation that development brings: "This tax shift mitigates the adverse effect that the district's increased assessed property value has on the town's share of state aid to education, municipal revenue sharing and its county tax assessment."

According to a chart provided, there would not be any tax shift benefit from that until 2017, in an amount of \$2,111 that the town would otherwise have

to pay. It would climb from there over 30 years to about \$20,000 a year.

As for the revenue available for the improvement projects, the first year the town would have \$18,750, climbing over 30 years to \$187,500 annually.

Among the specific proposed projects: reconstruction of the Howe Hill Road, performing arts center improvements (Town Hall); town dock improvements; sidewalks and trails; transit service costs; environmental improvement projects; and fire truck and other public safety equipment or capital expenditures.

A larger, overall development plan for Greenwood is more encompassing, and also includes Mt. Abram's business plans.

On that list are a new main lodge that would become a year-round facility; doubling the size of Westside Lodge; three-phase power for expansion plans; snowmaking trail expansion to make the mountain more competitive with "the other larger local ski areas; a new dedicated race arena; a new snowmaking pond.

Also targeted by Greenwood is village housing and working with the village mill owner to "find a future for the property given its present condition; jobs are a priority, but cleaning the sites and establishing a viable future for the property are critical. Options vary because of location and the beauty of the site. Further decline in the site is an issue. One solid building remains, the rest is a tear down... EPA fund are appropriate. The one good building highest and best use and an artisan's incubator, time should be spent, given ownership, in developing that interest."

The May 16 Town Meeting starts at 9 a.m. at the Jackson Silver Legion Post.

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copper, light iron, steel lead and brass rods.

The judgment lien for the town, dated April 21, is against all of the Grovers' real and personal property.

An associated e-mail from Wendy Paradis, the attorney for Greenwood on the case, said that in a similar situation with another of her law firm's municipal clients, a court was asked for a "turnover order" based on photos of items on property. The town then removed the items and took them to a recycler for money.

Sparks said Friday the

town plans to have Code Enforcement Officer Joelle Corey Whitman go to the property and take photos, then return to court for authorization to remove items.

Grover's response Bertha Grover said Monday the couple will try to pay the fees and fines. "We don't want it to keep adding up," she said.

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But Doug Grover said they are "still in limbo" regarding the situation. He said he has always paid his town taxes, but as a last resort in the property case the couple might declare bankruptcy and leave the property, which he said is six acres in size.

He said he has repeatedly over the years asked the town for specifics on

what items needed to be removed from his property, but town officials have generally told him that everything must be removed.

He said he currently has two unregistered motor vehicles, the number allowed by law, and that he has not added more items to his property recently to store longterm, other than firewood.

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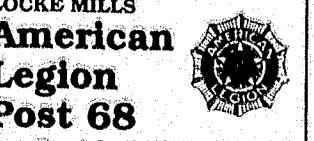
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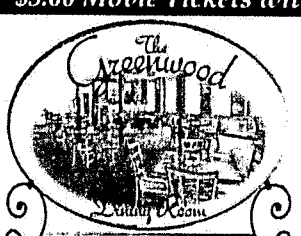
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Briefly

Bethel hearing on fluoride

BETHEL—A public hearing on whether Bethel should continue to add fluoride to its drinking water will take place Monday, May 11 at 7 p.m. at the Town Office. Although the town has added fluoride to the water supply since 1970, Bethel business owner Sarah Lane brought information about possible health risks before selectmen last year and asked for them to hold a town vote on whether to continue using it. Residents will vote on the issue by referendum on June 9.

Woodstock special Town Meeting

WOODSTOCK—The Board of Selectmen agreed Tuesday evening to add an article to the May 19 town meeting warrant asking voters to authorize the sale of the 1987 pump truck. The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Office. The warrant will include articles asking voters to approve the lease-purchase of a 2016 Freightliner pump truck for up to \$220,000, and to approve adding a concrete floor and overhead doors to the pole shed. The third article approved Tuesday asks for authorization for selectmen to sell the 1987 pump truck by sealed bid. The truck recently was taken out of service because it needs around \$46,000 worth of repairs. Fire Chief Kyle Hopps also provided a time line for when he anticipates the new firetruck would be delivered. "I was told it would be delivered late September or early October, but that's dependent on whether we place an order by early May," Hopps said. He said Midwest Fire Co., which is building the truck, was awaiting a shipment of a chassis and had a backlog of trucks to build. - M. Daigle, Sun Media

Bethel man denies sexual assault

PARIS — A 43 year-old Bethel man Tuesday pleaded not guilty to felony sexual assault charges involving an 8-year-old girl in 2008. George Otis Hayes Jr. entered the plea during his arraignment in Oxford County Superior Court, where he faces two felony charges of gross sexual assault. In all, he faces a maximum of 40 years in prison and a \$70,000 fine. According to a police complaint, Hayes had sexual contact with the girl on Christmas Day 2008. He was arrested in April after the girl went to police. Hayes was released on \$100,000 secured real estate bail. According to the terms of his release, he can have no contact with persons under the age of 16. - C. Crosby, Sun Media

Andover Rec Committee set

ANDOVER—Selectmen said Tuesday night that they expect the newly formed Recreation Committee will meet soon. The information was in response to a question during the public comment period. Members of the committee are Carol Emery, Paul Hutchins, Katie Benson, Susan Mills and Claire Sessions. "We didn't approve funding it," Selectman Keith Farrington said. "We appointed some people, but we don't know if they appointed a chairman yet." Selectman Jane Rich said she believes Emery will convene a meeting soon. In other business, selectmen voted to pay the following bills: \$1,250 to Archie's Inc., \$4,004.86 to Eastern Salt Co., \$1,123 to the Maine Secretary of State, and \$1,103.75 to the Maine State Treasurer. The board tabled a review of the proposed fraud policy to next week's meeting so Chairman Jim Adler can read it. Members unanimously voted to sign a document allowing the Maine Trail Riders to use Grimaldi Field again. Selectmen also learned from Planning Board Chairman Mark Thurston that he will schedule a meeting next week for the Comprehensive Plan Committee. - T. Karkos, Sun Media

Andover holds informational school meeting

BY TERRY KARKOS,
SUN MEDIA

Officials for the new, town-run Andover school gave about 25 town officials and residents an overview of their work so far during a meeting last Wednesday.

Townpeople voted last year to leave SAD 44 and start their own school.

The most important thing, startup administrator Jack Turcotte said, was that the board subcontracted all of the school's financial matters, such as payroll and accounts receivable, to SAD 51 in Cumberland.

"That's big, that's huge," Turcotte said. "So they will take care of all of the

tasks related to dollars and cents."

However, the board doesn't have any numbers for its initial school budget. School Board member Paula Lee said they anticipate having that by mid- to late June and will put it before voters referendum-style like SAD 44 does.

Turcotte said the school would start this fall following SAD 44's schedule. He estimated the student population in grades kindergarten through five at 27 initially.

They did look into having a pre-school but decided that may be too much to handle in the first year. "So that's on the horizon as a possibility," he said.

Lee explained the school

board structure and its connection with the town. Turcotte addressed staffing and curriculum and told the audience that they could use some technology help from an information technology-trained person.

Board members Pete Coolidge and Tim Akers outlined transportation and facilities matters, such as the school's antique steam boiler system and food service.

Turcotte then opened it up to questions, which dealt with concerns about how to access school policies that have yet to be approved, where the board is at with the process to hire a superintendent and how teachers would be sought, among other things.

OXBAR

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by today's standards. Stickney was appearing before the county board for the second time in two years after the selectmen denied abatements on her cabin properties, which do not have running water or electricity. She rents them out through a website.

The 2013 town assessments for the land and building for one cabin were \$25,320 and \$9,992, respectively, and for the other \$13,614 and \$14,992. The cabins are located more than 2 miles out on an unmaintained dirt road near the Andover North Surplus boundary, according to Stickney.

Last year she had argued to selectmen that the lack of utilities and remote location of the cabins should result in lower values.

But selectmen said in a letter to Stickney that the town does not give "discounts on building lots due to their location or lack of access to services. The only discounts normally granted are due to conditions that affect the ability to build on them, in example, swamp land, flood plain, etc."

After being denied an abatement for those values, Stickney went to OXBAR and got the figures reduced to \$20,875, \$8,246, \$8,750 and \$9,550, respectively.

That board said in its findings that the town had not taken into account access and physical condition of one or both properties. In addition values on the land were inconsistent compared to other lot values in town, and a building area adjustment on one and height adjustment on the other were needed.

But for her 2014 taxes, selectmen decided not to apply the OXBAR land values, saying that OXBAR "provided no rationale for how they arrived at their number, it appears to be completely arbitrary, therefore we were unable to apply it to this year's taxes."

That brought a strong reaction from Stickney, who told the board in her presentation last week that the selectmen "make up rules as they go along, but they don't go back into the old records and apply their new rules to all properties similarly situated."

She said that in past decades Andover had placed decreased values "on what they called 'camp lots,' a

nearly 50 percent decrease which, incidentally, remains on many property valuations today ... When revaluation is voted down year after year by Andover natives, they are ensuring that it stays that way."

She also said that in the 1990s the town had applied "functional obsolescence" reductions to buildings without electricity, running water or heating systems. "Yet many Andover properties that have all of these amenities are currently receiving lower tax bills due to functional obsolescence credits received back in the 1990s," Stickney told the OXBAR members.

She used Farrington's property as an example.

Stickney said it has been receiving "a 40 percent valuation deduction for the past 22 years. In 1993, this property was awarded a \$20,000 abatement for functional obsolescence. The building valuation went from \$49,000 to \$29,000 instantly. In 1978 the record shows this house had indoor plumbing, an oil heating system, lighting fixtures, even multiple outlets in each room; essentially all of the modern conveniences and comforts of home. Apparently, sometime before 1993, it fell into disrepair ..."

Stickney said that assuming Farrington had not been living "with no running water, heat or electricity, the 40 percent decrease in building valuation should have been eliminated ... I have pointed this out to assessors multiple times, yet it remains."

Farrington acknowledged that the property Stickney was describing was his. He said the obsolescence designation was on the property when he bought it.

"I don't think I should be singled out and treated any differently than anybody else," he said. "I'm not trying to get a special tax break for myself. Should I call up and say, 'By the way, I'm a selectmen, so come revalue my house?'"

OXBAR board member Sheila Delamater said that Andover's assessing situation "is a real mess." But, she said, "You are a selectman, and it just doesn't look good."

In his time as selectman Farrington has repeatedly argued at Town Meeting for a town-wide revaluation, but residents have

voted it down for each year. They have approved putting money aside each year in recent years toward eventually doing a revaluation.

"We're getting close to having enough money to do it," Farrington said.

He also said that assessors of the past had made adjustments to individual properties when warranted, but unless there was specific documentation to explain them, the current selectmen cannot explain differences from other properties.

Andover assessing agent Rob Stevens, who also attended the meeting, said, "You can't go that long without a revaluation. If they're not going to vote for it, you can't do magic. They [the selectmen] surely don't have the expertise to do it on what they're getting paid. And I'm not going up there for free."

Rainey said several times the town needs the revaluation. He also said nothing would be solved by "personal attacks on selectmen." The problem, he said, lies with the town not approving a revaluation.

But Stickney said there should be ways for the selectmen to apply some updates to properties, by using the state's assessing manual and through a computer database function.

Farrington said that until a revaluation is approved, "we're trying to figure out how we can legally spend money to at least go through and get some files updated."

Farrington told the OXBAR members that selectmen had not applied the land values OXBAR set last year for Stickney's properties to this year because, he said, "there was no rationale for how you got there, so we could apply it to someone else, or again [to Stickney] the following year."

Rainey said he could go back to his notes from last year's hearing and provide more information for Andover for the future.

The board voted to apply the figures they came up with last year to Stickney's property for this year, allowing for some updates and adjustments relating to tree growth land.

OXBAR board member Fred Packard also said that towns are not required to carry forward values set by OXBAR from year to year, though most towns do.

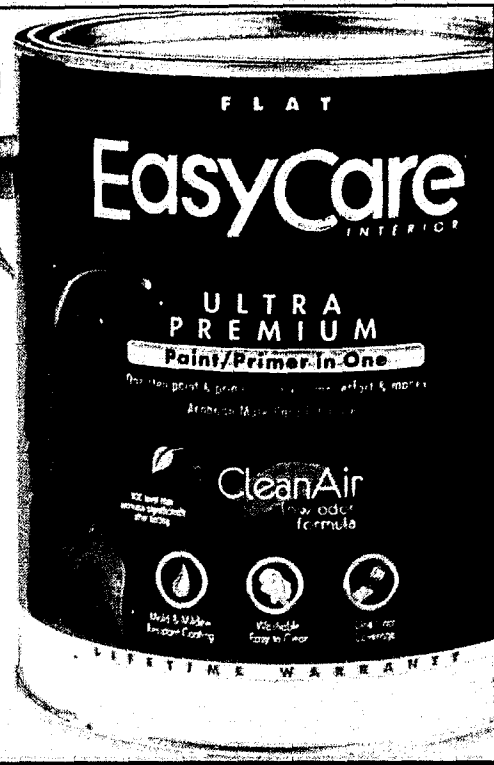
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The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD

I was having a conversation with my son about the fact that the price of a gasoline seems to be going up every other day.

"Boy, times sure have changed," he said. I can remember when gas was \$1.50 a gallon and it doesn't seem like it was that long ago."

I guess I was in the mood for showing my age and his and just how much times really have changed.

"I know what you mean and then some," I said. I can clearly remember when you were probably in the second grade and the price of a gallon of gas and a pack of cigarettes were the same at 35 cents."

I further went on to tell him that as well as the low price that the person pumping the gas would wash the windshield and check the oil without being asked to do so.

And, I added to Dug's amazement that back then the gas stations gave out Green Stamps or Top Value Stamps plus a free gift, usually a glass.

"If it wasn't for the fact that I remember the Green Stamps," he said. "I would think you were telling me an unbelievable tall tale. Though the free glass is pretty hard to believe."

"You think that's unbelievable," I said. "There were also free things in soap powder."

"I've never heard of soap powder," Doug responded. "That must have been in ancient times when you were young." Ha! Ha!

I went on to explain that even though it was years ago it was during his lifetime. He didn't know that powders were used to wash clothes before liquid detergents existed. Therefore he didn't

remember it because I always gave him juice in that glass when he was little.

"That one really is old," I told him. "That came from your grandmother's cupboard, but I think cheese spread came in it. She had a whole bunch, but this is the only one that is left."

I told him that that little glass was now a collectible as well as the glasses I knew he remembered that his grandmother had that once contained Big Top Peanut Butter.

"I guess glasses were a big give away back when things were actually given away," he said. It doesn't seem very long ago that MacDonald's and Burger King gave away glasses."

"And," said I, "When you were little we used to go to the soda fountain at Newberry's and get a lime rickey and we got to keep the glass. That he remembered well."

It was a nice walk down memory lane for both of us, but then we got back to the price of gas and the warm memories faded.

"I resent paying what we have to for gas," said Doug. "But, the way I see it if they're going to gouge us at the pump the least they could do is give us a gosh darn free glass!"

Boy, times sure have changed

know that in many of the soap powder boxes were glasses, dish towels or wash clothes and other items, but usually a glass.

"I remember the Flintstones glasses that you used to get with grape jelly!" Doug said excitedly warming up to the subject.

I went to the cupboard and took down a little glass with faded tulips around it and handed it to him. I knew he would

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OCSD Patrol Log

Monday, April 27

At 10:15 a.m. Deputy Richard Murray responded to Woodstock for a theft of a catalytic converter within the last two months from a vehicle in the yard.

At 2:49 p.m. Deputy Richard Murray responded to Greenwood for a criminal mischief complaint.

Wednesday, April 29

At 7:33 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney did a speed detail at Telstar High School. One vehicle was stopped and warned for improper display of a registration.

At 8:07 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney received a report of a subject selling alcohol to minors in the area of Davis Park in Bethel. An informational notice was sent out.

Thursday, April 30

At 3:22 p.m. Deputy Steve Witham received a report of a vehicle operating erratically in the Greenwood-Woodstock area. It was stopped and the driver given a summons for driving to endanger, and a cease-harassment warning.

Friday, May 1

At 9:19 a.m. Telstar High School reported harassment from an adult male student towards a female student. The report was documented and the male warned that any future harassment and/or threats would result in his arrest.

At 1:32 p.m. Cpl. George Cayer responded to a domestic incident on Mayville Road in Bethel. A male subject, intoxicated, was arrested for felony assault. It was a felony because of a prior conviction.

At 6:11 p.m. Sgt. Matt Baker responded to the West Bethel Road in Bethel for a car-moose accident. The animal was dispatched and given away.

Sunday, May 3

At 10 a.m. Deputy Nathan Bowie responded to the Flat Road in Bethel for a report of a blue pickup truck traveling at high speeds, blowing blue smoke, with a home made paper license plate. There was no contact with the vehicle.

WINGS

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zation," he said.

In his spare time, he has spent the past six years working on his plane, constructing first the tail, then the wings, then the fuselage in his Gilead garage.

Recently, when it was time to put it all together, he borrowed space on a short-term basis in a friend's hangar at the Bethel Airport.

With only a few days to get the plane fully assembled, out of the hangar, and ready to be tied down on the apron, Brearley was working against the clock, spending most of his waking hours at the airport.

Safety first
During construction, the plane has undergone two inspections by members of the Experimental Aircraft Association, an international organization with several chapters in Maine. "The next inspection will be by the FAA," Brear-

ley said. "I'll make an appointment with them, and they'll look at everything and give the plane an airworthiness certificate."

Van's Aircraft of Oregon, the company that makes Brearley's kit plane, as well as several other designs of experimental, homebuilt aircraft, was founded in the 1970s by Richard Van Grunsven after he designed and built a prototype for himself. Since then, more than 8,000 of the company's planes have been completed and are in use.

"They use top-quality materials and are very well thought of," Brearley said.

The aircraft, which uses 100 octane low lead fuel, will fly for about four hours before needing to be refueled, a distance of about 600 miles at its typical speed of 150 miles per hour.

It cruises at an altitude

of 160 feet, and a computer screen in the cockpit provides "synthetic vision," so Brearley can see the upcoming terrain on a screen while flying the plane.

A smaller, auxiliary navigation panel will stay on in the event of a loss of power, and the cockpit is also equipped with a navigation radio, a regular radio, and a flight transponder.

In order to fly his experimental plane, Brearley said he needs a minimum of three miles of visibility and no less than 1,000 feet of ceiling, a measurement of the height of the cloud base relative to the ground. Ideally, though, "I'd like 10 miles of visibility and a 5,000- to 6,000-foot ceiling," he said.

The plane is a two-seater, but following the FAA inspection, he will be required to fly it solo for 40 hours within a designated perimeter before he will be allowed to take passengers.

"After that, I can go pretty much anywhere," said Brearley, who has five grown children and seven grandchildren in five states.

"I'd like to fly out and visit my kids in Texas."

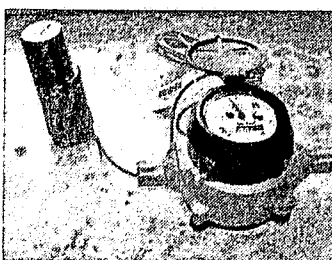
Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett



Wi-Fi Water Meters

Recently the Bethel Water District started replacing water meters with a new wireless type. This step will markedly speed up meter reading which has always been a very time consuming quarterly job. Instead of having to enter homes to read the water meter, readings can be received from outside using a simple hand-held device (almost a drive-by process). The new readings in turn can be communicated to the BWD's water customer accounts without having to manually type the information. The new meters look like a standard water meter but they have an extension cord attached to a small transmitter tower so that the transmitter



Don Bennett
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OCSD Jail Log

May 1, 3:37 a.m.: Christopher J. Beaulieu, 39, of Bethel, DV assault prior DV; by Cpl. George Cayer in Bethel.

May 4, 4:51 a.m.: Dennis J. Casko, 44, of Bethel, aggravated forgery, theft by deception; by Deputy Willie Nelson in Bethel.

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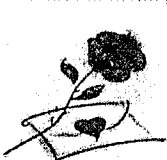
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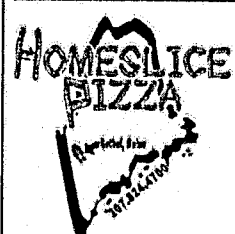
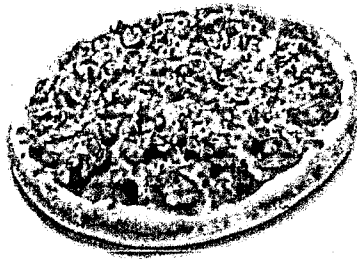
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The Center's location is in the Bear Crossing building in Mayville next to Gourmet in a Pinch. It is equipped and staffed for a complete range of physical therapy services. The center is open 7 to 5:30 Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and from 7 to Noon on Wednesday and Friday. Actual hours may vary according to appointments. Admission is through doctor referrals. McKenzie Parr of Rumford is the Center's manager. To call the Center for information: the number is 824-4895. Rumford Hospital is the Bethel Therapy Center's parent.

South Bethel and Walker's Mill Area
One of Bethel's historic sightseeing locales is the old mill site of stone dams and mill foundation a few yards away from the Rabbit Road's intersection with Route 26 Walkers Mill Road. The dams are on Alder River. I visited the site with camera as it is a good time to see this display of stonework before leaves come out hiding much of the view. From the dam one can see the old Walker house to get a good idea of where the dam is located relative to the buildings and highway.

In the History of Bethel Maine, William Lapham wrote that the little hamlet now known as South Bethel was begun in 1803 by David Blake, who built mills there. He also built a little house east of the house known as Walker's house. It was taken down soon after the Walker house was built. The mills passed from the Blake family to Jonathan Abbot and from him to James Walker. Mr. Walker built the carding and fulling and cloth dressing mill and dug the canal which conveys water to it. This building was later used as a bedstead factory.

From the 1858 county map of Bethel, the buildings were listed as follows starting on the south side of the road at the Jonathan Abbot place, R.P. Chapman, H. Ripley, Threshing Mill, Grist Mill, Shingle Mill, L. (Lawson) & L. (Lyman) W. Russell, and Saw Mill (built by Samuel B Locke).

Round of Applause to our Roadside Cleanup Volunteers

In the past week we have seen two teams of volunteers picking up litter along Mayville Road. Containers from fast food snacks, bottles and other varieties of litter do not say much for the traveling public's view of a clean landscape. Maine used to have roadside signs which admonished motorists against littering including a significant fine; maybe this program's budget was taken away. That's why grateful thanks go to these springtime volunteers.

Sunday River's free ski day = huge crowd
The sun was out, temperature in the 60s and barely a parking space to be had on the road to the Barker Mountain lifts and trails or any parking lot. About three-fourths of South Ridge was also filled. I got there about 10:45 and had to walk to the lodge from the Brookside Condo parking lot - while car after car of new arrivals went past me. Sun on the trails made the slopes a little faster than usual and the lift line was long. It was standing room only in the BBQ area. Haven't kept track of recent free ski days but this one was hard to beat for weather and ski conditions (and crowd).

Julia Fleet, Sunday River correspondent
Next week I will have a short piece about this lady's contribution to Newry's esteem in the eyes of Citizen readers a few decades ago. While I was assigned to a post in Germany in the 1950s, the Citizen with Julia Fleet's Sunday River news column was eagerly looked forward to by my cohorts and wives every Friday when my copy arrived in the mail.

Bryant Pond
By Alice Hoyt
The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meet today, May 7 at the Locke's Mills Sunday School Room at 11:30. Dinner by the Ladies Circle and program by Valerie Billings. Judith Grover, Tent 17 DUVCW will hold their meeting Monday, May 11 at the Grange Hall at 7 p.m.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday eve-

ning at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 and up. Tuesday, May 12 is Ladies Coffee Cup Devotions at the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited to attend at 9 a.m. On Saturday, May 16, the Sunday School is having a carnival on the church grounds, 1 to 4 p.m. All children and adults are invited. Tickets are \$5 for 10. There will be horse rides, games, etc. Goodies for sale on the food table, hot dogs, popcorn, cotton candy and more. Come have fun. Money goes to plane tickets to teen camp in Florida in June.

The Woodstock Historical Society meeting is May 9 at 2 p.m. starting with clean-up afternoon with a potluck supper and meeting to follow.

Bethel
By Nancy Brown
This week, May 4-10, is Children's Book Week, an annual celebration of children's books and reading. The week was established in 1919, making it the longest-running national literary event in the country. The program is administered by Every Child a Reader (ECAR) and the chief sponsor is the Children's Book Council. The main aim of Children's Book Week is to encourage children to read. You can pick up a book and read to a child; buy a child a book or donate a book to the library; take your child (or grandchild or niece or nephew) to the library to get a library card. One of my favorite authors, Dr. Seuss, wrote in his popular book I Can Read with My Eyes Shut! "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

Tonight is opening night of "Anything Goes," the spring musical at Telstar Regional High School. The play begins at 7 p.m. at the Helen C. Berry Auditorium. Other performances will be May 8 and 9 at 7 p.m., with a matinee on Saturday, May 9, at 1:30 p.m. The story is set aboard an ocean liner and revolves around a love triangle plot that involves high society members, stowaways, and gangsters. "Anything Goes" is a classic musical

with tap dancing sailors, campy jokes, and memorable songs like "Anything Goes" and "I Get a Kick Out of You." The music and lyrics are by Cole Porter. The original musical opened on Broadway in 1934 and starred Ethel Merman. There have been several revivals, two movie versions, and hundreds of local productions of the play. In 1954 Merman recreated her role for a one-time live television performance on the Colgate Comedy Hour. The Telstar production will undoubtedly be memorable. The school has a reputation for beautifully produced musicals. I suggest going to tonight's performance. That way you can go back for seconds.

The Bethel Library annual plant sale will be Saturday, May 30, from 9 to 10 a.m. The sale has the reputation of being one of the best places to get affordable perennials. All of the plants are donated by local gardeners. If you have plants to donate, stop by the library or call either Susan Day at 824-2741 or Susan Parker at 824-4767 to get pots, plant markers, or to have your plants picked up. The sale takes place rain or shine.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com.

East Bethel
By Wally Ritz
Am writing this late afternoon on this gorgeous Monday. I spent most of the day outside re-potting plants to bring them outside soon and started some seeds. Also tried to figure out where I will start some flowerbeds. I did encounter my first tick of the season, though, so be careful out there.

Talking about encounters, Arlene Harrington saw a big black bear in her field. To celebrate her birthday she had cake and ice cream with Wilma and Wayne Bean, Rick and Jenn Merrill from Andover along with their girls Taylor and Katy, Jim and Stacy Coolidge also from Andover, Esther Fuller from Locke's Mills and last but not least, Gloria Crockett from Bethel. A good time was had by all.

The half-price sale is still in full swing at the Inn-Side Shop. Come and see

me and check out the great deals.

My trivia question must have been kind of an omen, for the answer is: In mid-April in 1945 it was reported that unseasonable hot weather brought reports of 92 in the shade.

Enjoy this week of nice weather in the forecast and do be careful with outdoor fires as the fire danger is high right now.

Call me any time at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcracker@gmail.com.

Until next week.

Newry
By Doug Webster
In last week's paper, SAD 44 school district lawyer Richard Spencer's testimony at the April 15 public hearing on LD 1082 was summarized by Superintendent Dr. Murphy. He said that regional school taxes are taxes that are imposed on citizens by the school district. He said they just happen to be collected by the towns. He said that the taxes are applied to a home in one town are the same as the taxes applied in the other towns in the district. He also said that although the RSU and SAD taxes are collected by the towns, the courts have made it clear that they remain regional taxes and not town taxes. "In reality, it is not the town that is paying the taxes to support the SAD or RSU, it is the individual taxpayers." Up until now, I believe that I pay my taxes to the "town" not the "region." Maybe they are on to something. The towns could save a lot of time and effort by not having town meetings and budgets and sending out all the tax bills, and we could have the school district send out all the individual tax bills. That way they can charge people as they see fit. If they feel that an individual or a certain corporation has more money than they need, the district can apply a higher tax on them. Well, now that I think about it, that's pretty much how it's done already. Just a reminder,

the rest of the state's school districts charge "towns" based mostly on the number of students from each town. That was a decision based on fairness. If you have more kids going to school, then you pay more taxes. If SAD 44 is so different, then maybe the school board should continue to look for a fair and equitable way to charge the towns in the district. And base it more on the number of students and not so much on property valuations, like the rest of the state. Once again, Newry is willing to pay more than its fair share, but would like to be treated with a sense of fairness.

Don't forget the next selectmen's meeting will be on May 19 followed at 6 p.m., with a special town meeting to approve a three year summer and winter road maintenance contract.

Locke's Mills
By Amy Wight Chapman
Betsey Foster let me know that Butch Fuller has created a community flower garden at the corner of the Howe Hill and Greenwood Roads. She says, "Neighbors have contributed hardy perennials to the garden and, hopefully, these plants will thrive in this sunny and dry location. People are welcome to contribute perennials to the community garden; however, please do not remove any plants from the garden. They are there for everyone's enjoyment."

My own perennial flowers are loving the warm, sunny weather. The daffodils are in full bloom and my flowerbed is now full of the green leaves of lilies and irises, with blooms to look forward to.

But the perennials in my yard that I like best are the ones we can eat, and I can't wait for our first asparagus spears to emerge. We set out crowns we bought at Paris Farmers Union more than 20 years ago, and are still able to harvest just about all we can eat every year in May and June.

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Our rhubarb is coming along, too, and I look forward to strawberry-rhubarb pies, made with strawberries we grew and froze last summer. There's nothing like locally-grown foods, and it doesn't get any more local than your own backyard.

Betsey is also interested in starting an annual road clean-up day in Greenwood, like the one held last Saturday in Bethel and Woodstock. She says she would be willing to serve as point person and coordinate the event. A discussion of her proposal was placed on the agenda for Tuesday evening's Greenwood selectmen's meeting. I think it's a great idea, and any time we have a community member willing to volunteer for a project, we should take them up on it!

The temperature hit 80 degrees on Monday, and Jane Chandler went for her first swim in North Pond. She's harder than I am; I spent some time at our camp that day, but only dipped a toe into the water, which still felt pretty icy.

I spent the weekend at the New Hampshire seacoast with some of my very favorite people, my four siblings. The five of us span 15 years from the oldest (Steve) to the youngest (me), and don't see each other as often as we'd like, but we have always been close. We had perfect weather for our gathering, and we always enjoy spending time together. We walked on the beach, picnicked at a state park, played Scrabble, and talked a lot. I took notes, because, as the youngest, I'm

relying on their memories to help me out with material for a book I'm writing based on our mom's life.

Remember to e-mail your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com or call 875-5511.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman



I am always glad when May arrives. The chance of seeing snowflakes are pretty much slim to none! Spring clean-up is underway all around. Flower beds are getting cleaned out and there is lots of green showing up everywhere.

My brother, Steve McLain, had some help from Brad and Carole with some yard clean-up at the Dupont house over the weekend.

Hugh and I had to go to Gorham, N.H. last Friday to do some errands. We like to come home by way of the North Road since it is such a nice peaceful ride. When we came by the Philbrook Farm, we noticed a large bird in the field near a small wet area by the road. At first we thought it was a Heron, but when we got a better look at it, we decided it was a Bittern. It was setting with its head pointing straight up, which is something they like to do to appear invisible. It tries to look like the tall grass and weeds that are surrounding it. I have only seen a Bittern once before and that was many years ago near the Androscoggin River Bridge in Gilead.

A brochure from the

University of Maine System arrived in the mail the other day. It was promoting fall courses, but did mention that Summer courses begin in May. These courses are available through the Adult Education Office at Telstar High School in Bethel. This brought back memories of all those years that I worked with students that were taking courses at Telstar. It is a great way to work on a degree and not have to travel out of the area. Telstar is associated with the Norway/South Paris center, but most courses are offered in Bethel. Check them out at learn.maine.edu.

Gilead Historical Society

The GHS met last Saturday. There were seven officers, trustees and members who attended the planning meeting for the June event. Friends and Family Day will be held on June 20.

There will be a Public Crock Pot Potluck Lunch at noon. Cost will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 5-12 years old. The historic buildings will be open throughout the day and a short program will be held after the lunch. Other items discussed

included what needs to be done to the buildings this summer and what to do about storage of archival materials.

A newsletter will be going out to members in the next week or so. Stay tuned for more information regarding June 20 and check the GHS out on Facebook and the webpage -gileadhistoricalsociety.blogspot.com.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

South Woodstock

By Lolalee Dillingham



Monday, May 4, 9 a.m. Good morning dear readers, it's a beautiful sunny day, blue skies and 56 degrees here right now and it's looking to get warmer as the day goes on.

Condolences are going out to the families of Dolly (Chick) White, Richard Treadwell and Mary Dore. Our thoughts and prayers are with each family member.

Congratulations to Samantha and Steven Hodgdon on the birth of a daughter, Payton Pearl born April 28 at 8:17 a.m., weighing in at 5 pounds 5

ounces.

The Down East Country Music Association's newly elected officers for 2015 are President, Jackie Harmon; Vice President, Doug Marchant; Secretary, Linda Jo Marchant; Treasurer, Gary Moffett; Board of Directors: Western Division, Yogi and Lolalee Dillingham; Central Division, Mahdy Jordon and Brian Plato; Northern Division, Stan and Rose Hinkley; Southern Division, Sandi Lynch and Kevin Fitzmorris; Director's Assistant, Gary Leet; Publicity Chairman, Lolalee Dillingham.

Good luck to Shane and Veronica Poland on their new venture, they recently opened "The Inside Scoop" ice cream parlor on Main Street in South Paris.

The lawns are greening up nicely and looks like Yogi will have to mow ours this weekend.

I am so enjoying the beautiful solar lighthouse that my friend Alan made for me. Thank you, Alan.

I am still waiting patiently for the hummingbirds and orioles to arrive at the feeders. I have had

the feeders out for 2 weeks now.

Dandelions are popping up all over the lawn and fields and the tree buds are getting close to opening.

So loving the nice warm breeze and the thermometer has risen to 70 degrees already (10:15 a.m.). It was 42 when I got up at 7 o'clock this morning.

Well, that's all from the valley, this week. I want to get out and enjoy this great day that the Lord has blessed us with.

Waterford

By Rockie Graham



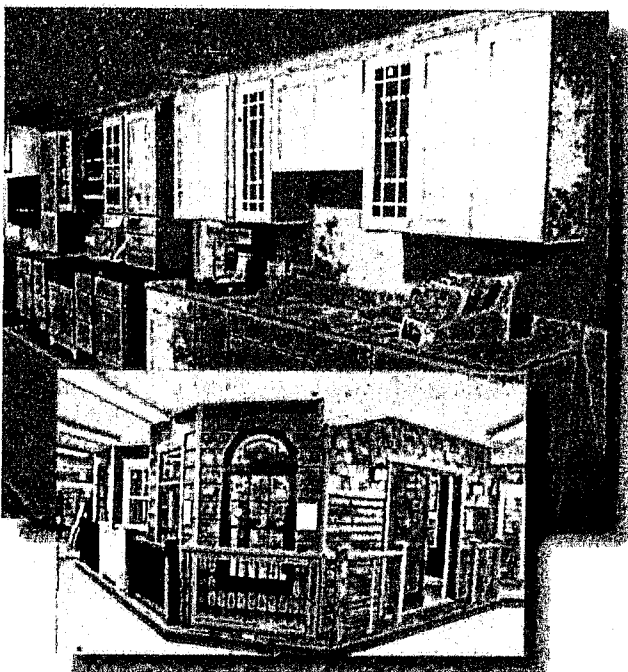
I was pleasantly surprised that May Day was actually celebrated this year.

The young people at the UU Church in Norway actually danced around the maypole. I haven't seen that since I was a child. A few of us spoke about it because none had seen it in so long. It is just a nice neighborly, thing/hi it's spring holiday. Nice to see it revived.

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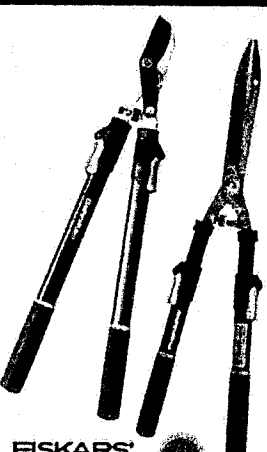
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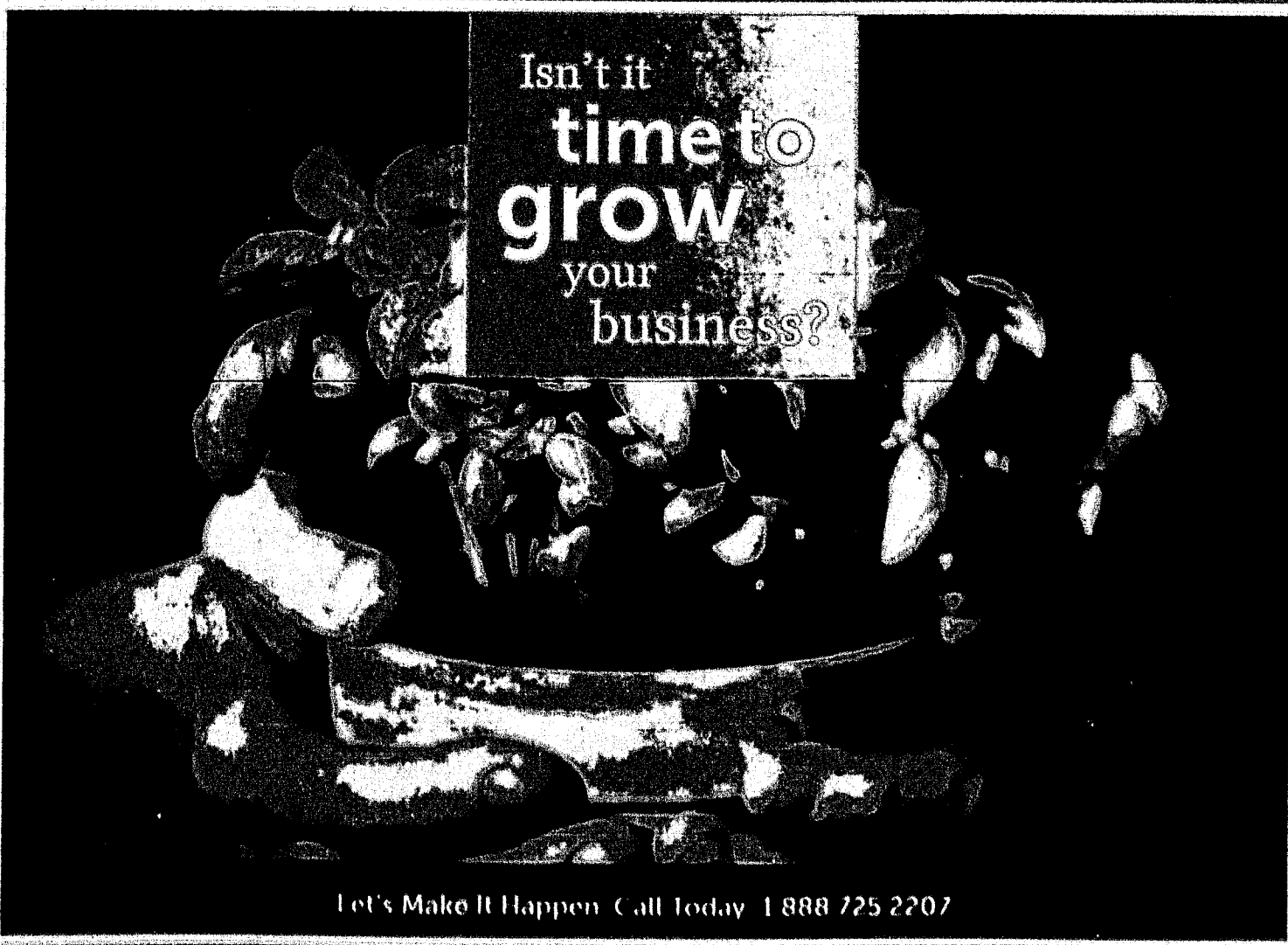


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great. Cold still in the morning, but warm and sunny in the afternoon. Today, Monday, May 4, it actually hit 80 in the sun in our yard. A pleasant surprise. I even put shorts on to celebrate. Of course, it is warmer out than in as the sun hasn't hit the house yet. Nice all the same.

I keep reading of these hikes that sound great. I hope I can take one sometime soon. To that end, Saturday, May 9, there is a hike up the bull breach of the Sunday River. Park at the Twin Bridges on Sunday River Road. The hike will be about 7+ miles round trip and about 3 hours. Bring food, water, a day pack and dress for hiking. It is an unmentioned trail so be prepared. No dogs, please. FMI please call: 824-3806.

May 9 in South Paris, the American Legion Post 72 will have an Indoor Yard Sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. To reserve a table please call Jean 743-7965.

Sunday, May 10, Mothers' Day, there will be an Open Heart Concert honoring the possibilities of love from 3 to 5 p.m. at the First Congo Church 17 East Main in South Paris. Donation is \$5 to \$15. Join Katey Branch, Deb Hensley and Fred White. FMI call Katey at 890-9622.

Next Thursday, May 14, there will be a workshop on the DASH Diet at the Harper Conference Center in the Ripley Building at 5:30 to 7 p.m. Registered dietitian Pat Watson will speak. FMI please call 743-1562 ext. 6896.

Also on that day at the Bethel Alliance Church in Bethel from 5:30 to 8 p.m. there will be a workshop on Gluten Free Cooking. Suzanne Dunham will present and it will be hands on.

May 11 at Bridgton Hospital there will be a super shoe sale to raise money for Employee Emergency

Assistance. From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. there will be a good variety of shoes and accessories. FMI please call: 647-6055.

This is all for this week. I have to go back out and get some sunshine. Have a great week. If you have anything you want to see in this column please call 743-0583.

Upton

By Joe Bernier



This is my most recent information regarding breakfast at the Ladies Aid. There will be a breakfast served Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10.

Volunteers are needed for the Upton Historical Society's annual cleanup day at "Forest Lodge." The date is Saturday, May 16. For details, please contact Charlotte at 533-2061 or e-mail her at pepidom@megalink.net. The Society's next scheduled meeting is Sunday, May 17, 3 p.m. at the Upton School.

The Letter B Notch Riders have decided to have a club ride and cookout. The riders will meet at and leave from the Upton House. The ride there will be followed by a cook-out at the Upton House. Weather depending, the ride is expected to take about two hours. The club will ask Charlie Felt for permission to park trucks and trailers in his field.

Sunday morning, May 3, some sections of Umbagog Lake were still holding their ice. (Thanks for the info Linda.)

Friday, I had the occasion to use the Urgent Care Services at Rumford Hospital. The staff was great! They were courteous, friendly and knowledgeable. I do not know whether other hospitals offer a service similar to Rumford's, but they should. It perfectly fits the niche between going

to an emergency room and trying to get an appointment with a doctor.

Saturday evening Penny and I, with some other family members, went to the Mock Hee Haw show at Franklin Grange in Bryant Pond. Old time rock and roll is my favorite type of music, but I very much enjoyed the show, the music and the skits. The grange holds this event twice a year. Lots of fun and entertainment for not much money.

Off to Baileyville I go for a fun-filled exciting week of a paper mill outage. Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your local news.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich



Did you miss me? Several people have asked that question, where was your column? My sad tale of woe was that in moving to my new house, my computer crashed and spent some time in the ICU of the computer hospital.

The Olde Home Day Committee is moving forward on plans for this year's celebration which will be July 31, Aug. 1 and 2. The theme is Celebrating Olde Home Day, 35 years 1980-2015, traditions and new beginnings. The new beginning is to encompass our new school situation and Carol Emery will be working on activities related to that. Casey McDonough will be designing the T-shirt and Trudy Akers is taking care of buttons. The Old Crow Band has been contacted and will be part of the parade. Thanks to Floyd Emerson the antique tractor club will be participants in the parade. Vendors wishing space on the common should contact Judy Michaud at 392-1221. Marshall Meis-



CLEANUP DAY IN WOODSTOCK-The Woodstock Conservation Commission sponsored its first Clean-Up for the town Saturday. A total of 17 volunteers cleaned up 15 miles of roadway, collected 36 bags of garbage, several pieces of auto parts, one gas rusted gas tank, six tires, three bags for zero-source recycling, and five bags of returnable bottles. The Woodstock Fire Department provided safety vests. Front: Marcel Polak, Emily Ecker, Allen White, Carla Phillips and Ruth Feeney. Back: Steve Bies, Don Lawrence, Andrea White, John White, Peter Fetchko, Ed Rosenberg, Leslie Rosenberg, Jen Chase, and Becky Carter, all of Woodstock. Absent from photo Nancy Willard and Rosemary McLean. Jane Chandler

ner is in charge of the Friday night music. The next meeting of the committee will be on Thursday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. The committee is hoping for some new members so if you have an interest in Olde Home Day, please come to the meeting and help make the 35th year the best ever. A suggestion for the parade is that people might re-create outstanding floats from the past.

The Roxbury ATV Riders Club is distributing cards at various businesses that ask for riders' cooperation in obeying posted speed limit signs, staying on marked trails and not riding until June 1. Trails are closed until that date unless there is a big "dry-out." The club does everything to insure that land owners interests will be protected and that both owners and riders will enjoy the great trails we have here in Andover.

The transfer station has informed me that On May 12 TVs and other electronic equipment will be picked up, so if

you have some equipment to dispose of that may be taking up room in your garage on storage shed, this would be an ideal time to get rid of it.

Andover Service Circle has declared May to be Andover Clean-up Month. We ask that residents put in an effort to tidy up town by picking up roadside trash on their own property, and, if embarking on a walk, to please carry along a bag to gather rubbish along the way. Anyone who would like to be supplied with rubber gloves or a bag or two to put to the task can call 392-1020. The Circle will gladly equip all participants in the clean-up effort.

Memorial Day weekend is always a busy one in Andover and this year is no exception. The annual Andover Alumni Banquet will be held on May 23 in the school gymnasium with a social hour at 5 p.m. and dinner served at 6 p.m. As usual the focus of the event will be on the senior high school class. Tickets are \$15. The class of 1965 will be celebrating their 50th anniversary and personally, I'm hoping they are planning something to

entertain us all. In addition to the banquet on Saturday, the Knights of Pythias will be sponsoring our annual Memorial Day Service on the common at 9 a.m. followed by a time of refreshment in the Town Hall with, I trust, donuts provided by Dave White.

Long-time resident Beverly Sylvester is now residing at the Ledgeview Living Center. A card would be nice and the correct address in 141 Bethel Road, West Paris, Maine 04289.

Thanks to the many people who helped to move me since I was unable to do anything much myself. Andover is such a wonderful place to live. We may not always agree with each other on everything, but when the chips are down we pull together and help each other out. I am blessed to live here and I ask God to bless all of you. Special thanks to Jim and Stacy Coolidge for their many acts of kindnesses too numerous to mention. For those of you who wonder how I'm doing, I still have one open wound on my heel which is doing okay, but slow on the uptake.

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PET CARE CORNER

Training is essential for happy pets

Developing strong and healthy relationships with pets requires that pet owners provide for their pets in a variety of ways. Although affection and exercise are essential elements to raising a well-rounded pet, owners should not overlook one of the most important parts of pet care: discipline.

Well-trained pets can be a joy to be around. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals says learning how to train a dog can improve the life of the pet and the life of the owner, enhancing the bond between owner and dog while ensuring the pet's safety. Many dogs are eager to learn and will embrace their training.

Dogs have special needs and instincts, communicating in ways separate from humans. When a puppy is brought into a home, both puppy and person must adapt to each other. Humans must learn to communicate effectively in a language that a dog will comprehend, while dogs must learn to fit into the human world and refocus some behaviors that may not be appropriate in a home setting.

Pet owners have various training methods at their disposal. Pet owners can find many resources in the library, at pet care centers or online. No matter which training method pet owners choose, the most

effective are those that reward good behavior so that dogs will be more inclined to repeat that behavior over and over. Bad behavior should not be punished, but there should be consequences. The ASPCA says dogs live in the moment and cannot make connections between events and past experiences. Therefore, praise or consequence has to happen immediately for the notion to be reinforced. If the dog sits on command, she should be given a treat or a good amount of praise. If she is nipping while playing, the owner should stop the play so that the fun ends immediately.



Training is one of the fundamentals of happy pet ownership.

Training also requires consistency. Anyone involved in the training and interaction with the pet should be

following the same set of guidelines. If a behavior is worthy of praise, it should be offered each and every time. If the dog jumps up on a greeting and that is discouraged, every person she jumps up on should correct the behavior. All it takes is one person to pet the dog when she is doing something wrong to confuse the animal.

It's also important to consider the dog's temperament during training. Certain breeds tend to be more docile or dominant than others. Training methods may need to be adapted based on the demeanor of the dog. Owners who have a stubborn, willful dog on their hands may need firmer, more consistent measures. A dog who is more amenable may be trained easily with food-based rewards. Finding the training balance can take time and patience.

Dogs who are trained as puppies will learn good behavior right away and be less likely to adopt bad habits. But dogs can be trained at any age. Older dogs may just require a little more effort.

Training tends to be most effective when it is short and fun for pets and their owners. Dogs do not have long attention spans, so many trainers recommend that training sessions last no longer than 15 minutes. Commands should be to the point and not clouded with a lot of language. For example, "sit," "stay," "down" and "off" will get the point across.

Try practicing the training in different environments and scenarios. This way the dog will behave whether at home or in a friend's backyard. Use rewards that are tied to the

event and what the dog may find most attractive at that point. A hungry dog may respond to food treats. A dog looking to play may appreciate a game of catch as a reward.

If training doesn't seem to be working, try a few different options. Some pet owners find they need help training their dogs. In addition to informative literature and training videos, dog trainers are readily available. Classes can be scheduled privately, and many pet centers offer group classes to interested pet owners. The success rate of training classes and the socialization that these training opportunities offer often justifies the financial and time investments required to attend classes.

The American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior emphasizes the importance of starting a puppy in training, including training classes, before all vaccinations have been completed. Data supports a lower risk of transmission of disease in puppy socialization classes over the last 10 years. Lack of full immunizations should not be reason alone to keep pups out of important training classes.

Pet owners should know that not all behaviors can be stopped. Rather than punish the dog for every natural behavior, try to find acceptable ways to channel those instincts into something safe. A dog who likes to chew should be given plenty of toys. Dogs who are naturally active should be given adequate amounts of time to run outside. Highly intelligent breeds may benefit from agility training or even learning assistance techniques.

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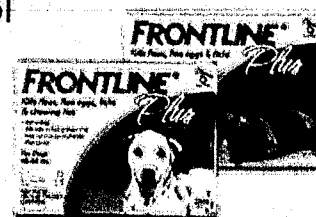
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Sports

High School Varsity Softball

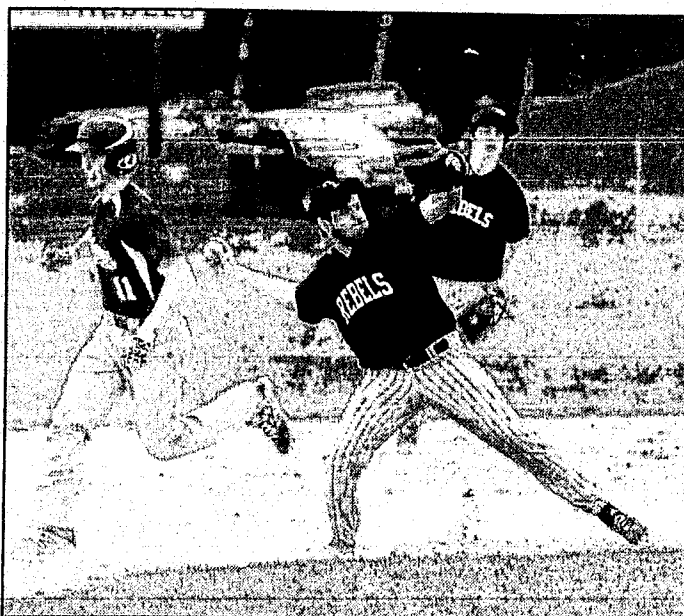
Telstar 18, Mt. Valley 1; April 24 – The Telstar softball team opened with a win over Mt. Valley. Olivia York allowed only 1 hit and struck out 11 to lead the Rebels to their season opening win. Olivia got plenty of support from Ashley Savage, Sadie Ellsworth and Tehya Johnson with 3 hits apiece. Becca Howard and Hayley Peterson added two hits each. The defense played well in very cold conditions. Good game ladies. – Coach Lunney

Telstar 2, Monmouth 0; April 29 – Telstar's softball team beat a good Monmouth Academy team April 29. The Rebels scored two runs in the first inning and Olivia York and the defense made it hold up. Olivia scattered 4 hits and struck out 9 with only 1 walk for the game. The defense, aided by 2nd baseman Annie Cushman, kept the Mustangs from scoring. Annie snared a line drive in the 6th inning to save two runs and Olivia threw out a runner at home in the 2nd inning. Right-fielder Katie Merrill took a hit away with a fine catch as well. Sadie Ellsworth collected three hits for the Rebels and scored the first Telstar run. Becca Howard plated the other run and helped anchor the defense at shortstop. The team is now 2-0 on the season. Good game ladies. – Coach Lunney

Telstar 9, Carrabec 3; May 1 – Telstar defeated Carrabec behind Sadie Ellsworth's three hits and Becca Howard's 2 hits and 4 RBIs. Olivia York picked up her third win by scattering 7 hits and striking out 4. The defense buckled down and gave up only 1 hit over the last four innings. Tehya Johnson had an RBI triple. Ashley Savage had a hit and scored 3 runs. Blair Stevens and Katie Merrill also contributed hits for the Rebels. The team is now 3-0 on the season. Good game ladies. – Coach Lunney

Telstar vs. St. Dom's; May 2 – The Telstar softball team overwhelmed St. Dom's on Saturday. Olivia York and Tehya Johnson limited the Saints to 2 hits and struck out 7 as the Rebels produced 20+ hits during the game. Becca Howard with 5 hits and 5 RBIs and 6 runs scored paced the Rebel attack. Tehya Johnson had 4 hits, 4 runs and 4 RBIs and Hayley Peterson 3 hits. Olivia York and Ashley Savage also added 2 hits for the Telstar nine as did Vanessa Godwin and Katie Merrill. The Rebels are 4-0 on the season. – Coach Lunney

Telstar 14, Mt. Abram 0; May 4 – Telstar's softball team defeated Mt. Abram on Monday. Olivia York shut out the Roadrunners limiting them to 2 hits while striking out 9. Becca Howard with 4 hits and 6 RBIs and Ashley Savage with 3 hits and 3 runs scored and Tehya Johnson 3 hits and 3 RBIs paced the Rebel offense. Sadie Ellsworth had 2 hits and scored 3 runs as well. The Telstar nine scored 3 runs in each of the first three innings to put the game out of reach. Telstar is now 5-0 on the season. Good game ladies. – Coach Lunney



Telstar third baseman Chris Chappie sets himself to throw to first in last week's game against Monmouth.

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High School JV Softball

Monmouth 8, Telstar 6; May 1 – The Telstar HS JV Softball team traveled to Monmouth and lost a close game. The Rebels got down early but did not give up and made a rally in the 5th and 6th innings. Tehya Johnson pitched the complete game giving up 13 hits, collecting 9 strikeouts, and did not walk a batter. Early in the game the team struggled with their defense, but settled down as the game went along. The Rebels had one hit by Jodi Putnam but took advantage of some walks and aggressive base running. The team is now 1-1 on the season. – Coach Mark Kenney

Middle School JV Softball

Dirigo 28, Telstar 27; May 1 – The JV softball team lost their season opener in a hard fought battle against Dirigo. Great job by Brooklyn Kimball on the mound and Ellen Files and Abbey Landry behind the plate. Repeat hitters were Ellen Files with a double and 2 singles, Perry Morton a double and 2 singles, Brooklyn Kimball a double and 2 singles and Ella Kellogg a double and 2 singles. Great job by all. Keep up the good work. – Coach Cozzolino

High School Varsity Baseball

Monmouth 8, Telstar 2; April 29 – The Telstar Rebels boys' varsity baseball dropped their home opener to a very strong Monmouth team. This is the third game of the season and the Rebels are improving with each outing. If you take away the first inning where we made 3 errors and allowed 4 runs to score from them, then we actually have a great game. The boys need to learn how

to come out of the gate ready to play. After a rough first inning the Rebels settled down defensively and got the bats going. We had some really good hits, scored a couple of runs, and left a number of runners on base. Repeat hitters for the Rebels were Hunter Williamson, Josh Eliot, and Tanner Wheeler. – Coach Eliot

Middle School Baseball

St. Dom's 5, Telstar 2; April 30 – The Telstar MS Baseball team opened their 2015 baseball season at Saint Dom's on a cool windy day! In a close game from the beginning, Telstar Rebels were defeated. Joe Scotte pitched two innings allowing 3 runs, while Tyler Hill pitched 4 innings only allowing 2 runs. Joe Scotte, Austin Westleigh and Matthew Lavoie all had singles. Good job Rebels. – Coach O'Connor

Middle School Girls' Track

Meet at Telstar, April 30 – Telstar 92.5, St. Dom's 61.9, Dirigo 38.4, Mt. Valley 25.9. 800m Racewalk: 1. Molly Sirois 4:50.9; 3. Hattie Doyle 5:17.4. 55m Hurdles: 2. Katie Turnick 10.3; 5. Sam Miller 10.5; 9. Dylan Duclos 11.8; 12. Ava Doucette 12.7. 100m Dash: 1. Katie Turnick 14.3; 4. Madeline Hallett 15.1; 6. Sarah Wright 15.2; 9. Ella Blair 15.5; 17. Ava Doucette 17.3. 1600m Run: 2. Isabel Chase 6:37.6. 4x100 Relay: 1. Blair, Wright, Turnick, Kruse 60.6. 400m Dash: 2. Isabel Chase 1:16.5; 3. Emma Kruse 1:18.2; 4. Lydia Bennett 1:20.6; 6. Dylan Duclos 1:22.5; 8. Fiona Cornwall 1:27.4; 10. Montagna 1:37.8. 800m Run: 2. Lydia Bennett 2:59.5; 3. Emma Kruse 3:00.1; 4. Hattie Doyle 3:31.6. 200m Dash: 1. Katie Turnick 30.1; 2. Sam Miller 30.6; 3. Madeline Hallett 32.2; 12. Fiona Cornwall 37.0. 4x200 Relay: 1. Chase, Miller, Hallett, Unknown 2:17.3. Long Jump: 2. Ella Blair 11.08.5; 6. Sarah Wright 9.11.0. High Jump: 1. Sam Miller 3.10.0; 2. Dylan Duclos 3.08.0. Triple Jump: 2. Isabel Chase 28.03.0; 3. Hattie Doyle 19.01.0.

Middle School Boys' Track

Meet at Telstar, April 30 – Telstar 78, Dirigo 48.9, Mt. Valley 42.9, St. Dom's 29.9. 55m Hurdles: 1. Joe Dillon 10.1; 2. Tristan Lilly 10.2; 7. Alex Baribeau 11.0; 8. Finn McLaughlin 11.3; 9. Wyatt Thielbar 11.5. 100m Dash: 2. Joe Dillon 13.9; 3. Myles Barrett 14.0; 6. Ryan Beckerman 14.8; 7. Braley McKinley 14.9; 16. Orion Fournier 16.4; 18. Wyatt Thielbar 16.5; 21. Liam Childs 17.0; 22. Payton Hastings 17.6. 1600m Run: 3. Alex Baribeau 6:21.2; 5. Dillon Smith 6:52.6. 4x100 Relay: 1. Barrett, Beckerman, Lilly, Dillon 56.3. 400m Dash: 1. Ryan Beckerman 1:07.8; 3. Tristan Lilly 1:12.8; 6. Ricco Call 1:20.0; 8. Liam Childs 1:31.2. 800m Run: 1. Ricco Call 2:58.0; 4. Orion Fournier 3:35.7. 200m Dash: 1. Myles Barrett 29.5; 2. Joe Dillon 30.0; 4. Finn McLaughlin 31.5; 8. Wyatt Thielbar 36.7; 9. Orion Fournier 40.6; 10. Payton Hastings 41.8. 4x200 Relay: 1. Childs, Thielbar, Braley, McLaughlin 2:28.9. Long Jump: 2. Tristan Lilly 13.00.5; 12. Dillon Smith 9.11.5; 14. Orion Fournier 9.09.5. High Jump: 1. Myles Barrett 4.04.0. Triple Jump: 1. Ryan Beckerman 28.02.0.

TOWN OF BETHEL PUBLIC HEARING

The Bethel Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on **Monday, May 11, 2015 at 7:00PM** at the town office to receive public input on the proposed removal of Fluoride from the Bethel Water System. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office or email at info@bethelmaine.org

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Grade 10

Honors: Luke Davis, Brandon Dougherty, Josh Eliot, Avry Griffin, Kristi Hanscom, Elijah Laird, Wynter Morin, James Newkirk, India Orino, Kellen True, Souix-Ann Tuttle

Grade 11

Honors: Luke Angevine, Kaitlyn Brown, Shylyn Buckman, Lisa Gammon, Octavia Morin, Ashley Savage, Cassidy Smith, Blair Stevens, Alan Theriault
High Honors: Rebecca Howard

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TOWN OF BETHEL PUBLIC HEARING

The Bethel Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 7 PM** at the town office to receive public input and discuss proposed amendments to five separate ordinances. These ordinances are entitled Building Construction, Signs, Site Plan Review, Shoreland Zoning, and Subdivision. These amendments are scheduled for presentation to voters at the Annual Town Meeting scheduled for June 10, 2015. For more information, please contact the Bethel Town Office at (207) 824-2669 or by email at info@bethelmaine.org.

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OCEA-R begins another year

The Oxford County Educators Association-Retired (OCEA-R) held their first meeting of the year on April 10 at the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. President John Kimball presided over a brief business meeting, followed by an excellent meal served by the culinary arts students. The menu included cream of mushroom soup, chicken piccata accompanied by vegetables, garlic and cheddar mashed potatoes, rosemary focaccia and triple ginger cake with a vanilla cream sauce. It was an impressive meal.

The May meeting will be held at the North Waterford Church on May 29, rather than the originally planned date of May 15. Sign-ins will begin at 10:30 a.m., the meeting will begin at 11, the meal will be served at noon by members of the church, and the program will begin at approximately 1 p.m. Norma Salway, who taught kindergarten and first grade for SAD 44, will talk about her experiences upon which she based her book, "What I Learned from Kids."

The April program was presented by local historian Ben Conant. His topic was the life and career of Ezra Stevens, born in 1831, and whom he referred to as the P.T. Barnum of western Maine. In the 1850s Ezra moved from Sumner, to Trap Corner, which is now part of West Paris. In 1866 he moved to Bryant Pond. In both places he established general stores. Later, he gathered together a traveling circus that included "Texas Charlie," a sharpshooter; two "midgets" who had once been with P.T. Barnum's circus; and a five legged bull. At the height of Ezra's success, he had 90 people working for him and a caravan of 20 wagons. He took his show all over New England and New York. According to Ben Conant, Ezra was somewhat of a con artist, but an impressive man with the ability to organize a very diverse group of people and animals. Ezra Stevens died in 1898 from some kind on poisoning after having served "drinks" to a visitor. It was a fascinating program.



THS HONOR ROLL STUDENT CELEBRATION-Last week Telstar High School held a recognition for its 39 students who made the third quarter honor roll. Among them were seniors Savanna Pelletier, Chirs Chappie, Liam Gallagher and Zach Wheeler. (Senior not pictured: Travis Wheeler) Submitted photo

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

May 7, 8 and 9

Families in Crisis Task Force Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 659 Park Street, South Paris. Clothes, strollers, baby furniture, household items, toys and more. Volunteers needed. All full-day volunteers will receive a \$10 gift certificate to use at the sale. FMI: Peggy (357-7072).

"Anything Goes" Telstar High School's Spring Musical; 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday with an additional matinee performance at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The setting is the ocean liner "American," bound from New York to England. The ship is full of castaways, disguises, mistaken identities, gangsters-under-cover, high society and narrow escapes. The story revolves around a forbidden love between Billy Crocker, a young Wall Street employee, and Hope Harcourt, a young woman of high society.

Friday, May 8

Alder River Grange Meeting; the Grange Hall. 6 p.m. potluck supper followed by the meeting at 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 9

Infant CPR Course; 8:30 to 10 a.m., Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. \$10 per person. Pre-registration with payment required. FMI/Registration: 743-1562 ext. 6951.

MLT Bull Branch Hike; 9 a.m., Twin Bridges parking lot on Sunday River Road. The round trip hike will be 7+ miles of unmaintained trail and will take three to four hours. Bring a daypack with food and water, dress for steady hiking and expect to get feet wet. Please leave dogs at home. FMI/RSVP: 824-3806.

Hope Association Spring Craft Fair; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Many crafters along with raffles, Chinese auction, cookie walk, and lunch specials with make your own sundaes. There will be a Kid's Corner with games and prizes. All proceeds benefit Special Olympics Team Sunshine. FMI: Sally Theriault (364-4561).

American Legion Post 72 Indoor Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church Street, South Paris. To reserve your table, call Jean (743-7965). Yard sale tables are \$10, vendor tables are \$15. Lunch counter will be open, 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets. Come join the fun and help support the ladies auxiliary send three young ladies to Girl State.

Build a Birdhouse Workshop; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. Park staff and volunteers will take you through the building process and build your own bird house using a kit template the Park will provide. There is no additional fee for this activity, but supplies are limited and will be handed out on a first come, first served basis.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Workshop; 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Linwood Swett will give a demonstration on how to prevent swarming using the Demaree Method. Weather permitting there will be an open hive, so bring your veils. Public's welcome. FMI: Kevin (farrout@roadrunner.com) or mainehoneybees.com.

Woodstock Historical Society Clean-up Day; 2 p.m. at the museum. Following the clean-up, there will be a potluck supper and monthly meeting. There will be no program this month.

Football Benefit Dinner & Concert; Sunday River Brew Pub. Dinner 5 to 8 p.m. (10 percent of food and beverage purchases benefit local football programs for all ages). Concert with Roadhouse 8 to 12 p.m., 21+, \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. All proceeds go to SAD 44 Football grades 2-12.

Swingin' Bears Square Dance; 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School, 100 Pine Street, South Paris. Yodeling club caller Ray Hilton will present a Mainstream and Plus dance and Bernie Porter will be the round dance cuer. Refreshments will be served at intermission. Door prizes. 60/50 drawing. Admission: \$6 per person (non-dancers welcome at no charge).

Sunday, May 10

Mother's Day Open Heart Concert: Honoring the Possibilities of LOVE; 3 to 5 p.m., First Congregational Church, 17 East Main Street, South Paris. \$5-15 donation. Looking for a new way to celebrate Mother's Day? Join Katey, Deb and Fred as we honor you, your mother(s), daughters, sons, husbands, and mother earth with this unique concert in the round. Katey Branch and Deb Hensley on vocals, Fred White on guitar and percussion. We all mother in one way or another so come honor that in yourself and others. FMI: Katey (890-9622) or www.hallspondhealingarts.com.

Monday, May 11

Bethel Public Hearing; 7 p.m., Bethel Town Office. Bethel Public Hearing on fluoride being added to the public drinking water supply.

Tuesday, May 12

Red Cross Blood Drive; 12 to 5 p.m., Telstar gymnasium. Sponsored by Telstar's NHS. Appointments strong-

ly encouraged. FMI: 824-2136 or southams@sad44.org.

Supper Dance; 5 to 9:30 p.m., Locke's Mills Legion Hall. Music by the Shadagee Ramblers. Menu: Ham, baked beans, mac and cheese, coleslaw, rolls and pies. Adults/\$10, Children/\$3. Doors open at 4 p.m.

May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 10 and 17

Quick Start Workshop on Starting a Business; 6 to 8 p.m., Community Concepts Conference Room, 17 Market Square, South Paris. Instructors include Dana Hanley, Esq. of Hanley & Associates, Daryl Cote, CPA, with Ouelette & Associates, PA and Oxford Hills SCORE business counselors Steve Veazey, John Huffman and Charlie Peabody. \$50 for the series, \$10 for an individual workshop. FMI: 743-6543 or mpurcell@community-concepts.org.

Wednesday, May 13

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting; 11 a.m., Bethel Alliance Church (across from Telstar). This will be a potluck meal. Members are asked to bring a dish to share. A \$3 donation for the church is suggested.

Thursday, May 14

"Pig Out on Reading" Program; 1 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Farmer Minor, his pig Daisy and his two pug dogs will present a program to two Woodstock Elementary School Classes. The public is also welcome to attend.

WMSC Step Falls Hike/Potluck; 4 p.m., Step Falls Preserve, Route 26, Newry. Lynne Zimmerman of Bethel will lead the leisurely one-mile hike to identify spring wildflowers and enjoy the waterfalls. The hike will be followed by a potluck dinner at the Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. FMI: Steve Smith (824-3491 or stsmith@pcgus.com).

DASH Diet Workshop; 5:30 to 7 p.m., Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. Registered dietician Pat Watson will present a program on the DASH Diet to Lower High Blood Pressure. There is no cost for this program. FMI/Registration: 743-1562 ext. 6896.

Cooking Gluten Free; 5:30 to 8 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. A living gluten free cooking workshop will be offered by Suzanne Dunham, gluten free baker and herbalist. The class will begin with a brief presentation about going gluten free. The cooking session will be hands on preparation of two gluten free dishes, and will include tips about using alternative flours in cooking. Handouts and recipes will be provided. Tuition: \$12. FMI/Registration: 824-2780.

MLT Ellis River to Whitecap Project Intro and Kickoff; 7 p.m., River Valley Growth Council Building, 60 Lowell Street, Rumford. Presentation and refreshments. FMI: 824-3806.

May 15, 16 and 17

15th Annual Home Garden Flower Show, May Fair; Fryeburg Fairgrounds. Seven buildings filled with almost 300 plus booths on home and energy and 9 garden centers, garden artisans and crafters, plus five acres of outdoor products for the home and garden and other related businesses. The famous Meet the Chefs Cooking Series, Lodge Cast Iron Skillet Toss, Home and Garden Seminars, Kids activities and demonstrations. Guest speakers, fair food and more. General Admission \$10. Children 10 and under free. Group rates available. FMI: www.homegardenflowershow.com or 800-359-2033.

Saturday, May 16

East Bethel Cemetery Clean-up Day; 9 a.m. Rain date, May 17.

Car Seat Safety Event; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School's front parking lot. Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will be available to provide free hands-on seat inspections.

Rumford Auxiliary Yard Sale; Members of the Auxiliary will be at 209 Lincoln Avenue on Friday mornings during May to accept donations from the public for the yard sale. Pick up for donations to the sale can be arranged by calling 364-3648 or at 562-4343. The Auxiliary accepts everything except major appliances and clothing. Furniture, rugs, kitchen goods, books and office items are big sellers. All proceeds are donated to Rumford Hospital.

Finnish-American Heritage Society Public Buffet Supper; 5 p.m., Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Featuring Finnish, American and other ethnic foods. \$8/adults, \$4/children under 12.

Sunday, May 17

Finnish-American Heritage Society Meeting; 2 p.m., Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a brief business meeting, the program will be music by A Chording to Kantele and Proverbs, Folktales and Myths by Dale Piirainen.

Local and Legendary: Bethel, Maine in the Civil War - Final Celebration; 4 p.m., Bingham Auditorium, Gould Academy, featuring The Androscoggin Chorale Chamber Singers and the dramatic presentation of "My Dear Absent Husband" based on the actual letters of Stephen and Lydia Richards of Upton.

Monday, May 18

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or http://mecc.maine.edu. Free and open to the public.

Mahoosuc Community Band Spring Concert; 7 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Donations accepted. Refreshments following the concert.

Wednesday, May 20

Maine Clean Elections House Party; 4 to 5:30 p.m., Crescent Park School cafeteria, Bethel. An MCCE organizer will attend, providing handouts and information. Sen. John Patrick may be able attend the second party

and was elected with the help of public campaign funds. Light refreshment will be provided. FMI/RSVP: Seabury Lyon (sslyon@megalink.net or 207-381-0068).

Townships Meeting With County Officials; 6 to 7:30 p.m., Albany Town House. All residents and taxpayers of Albany, Mason, Milton and Riley Townships are invited to meet with Oxford County officials. A discussion session and a Q/A period will address issues include upcoming road work, taxes, and the mechanics of budget adoption at the state level and how these issues affect the townships' tax bills.

"The Ancestral Androscoggin Esker and Related Local Glacial Features"; 7 p.m., Rumford Municipal Building. Sponsored by the Rumford Historical Society at its May meeting, naturalist and environmental educator Bob Elliott uses slides and discussion to illustrate how the Ice Age glacier created "kames," "kettle holes," "plunge-pit pot-holes," and the remarkable "Ancestral Androscoggin Esker" the gravel ridge often called the "whale's back" that dots the landscape for over 70 miles from Azischoos through the Richardson Lakes, the Ellis River Valley, along Routes 232 and 26 all the way to Cumberland. Please arrive by 7 p.m. for a brief business meeting of the Society. Program is expected to begin at 7:15. Enter the building through the Police Station on the River Street side, go to the end of the hall and take the elevator to the third floor Auditorium. Then come on Saturday, May 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., for a Field Trip to explore area features, leaving from Route 232 in Rumford Point. Please bring your own lunch. FMI: Bob at 824-2928.

Thursday, May 21

Invasive Forest Pests and Invasive Plants Program; 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library. Jean Federico of the Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District will present information on invasive forest pests and invasive plants and what we can do to help battle these problems.

WMSC To Your Health "Aging in Place" Presentation; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Bethel Congregational Church, 32 Church Street, Bethel. Aging in Place refers to seniors remaining independently in their homes as they age. Representatives from several towns in Maine involved in developing their own models for seniors will be present. Possibilities will be explored and how they can be implemented in the Greater Bethel Area. Public invited. Free admission. FMI call R. Tift at 824-2053.

Saturday, May 23

MLT Spring Bird Walk; 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., 1.1 miles north of the intersection of the Andover Road and East Andover Road. Please park on the right hand side of the road as you travel north. Dress for weather, bugs, walking and wet footing. FMI/RSVP: 357-9954 or eecker@gmail.com.

Wednesday, May 27

Community Supper (No Charge); 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

Saturday, May 30

20th Annual Bethel Library Plant Sale; 9 to 10 a.m. On the lawn next to the Bethel Library at 5 Broad Street, Bethel. Affordable perennials donated by local gardeners. Between 9:15 and 9:30 we will be giving away free gifts for gardeners. If you have plants to donate, stop at the library or call Susan Day at 824-2741 or Susan Parker at 824-4767 to get pots, plant markers or to have your plants picked up. Get there early. The plants always sell out. Sale takes place rain or shine. FMI: 824-2520.

Monday, June 1

Socrates Café Meeting; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Waterford Library. Discussion topic: Contemporary Human Migration. Moderator: Sally Chappell. Light refreshments provided. FMI: 583-6957.

June 13 and 20

Photography Class; Telstar High School, Room 133. This is an introduction to digital photography course for those who are looking to improve their photography skills. Topics that will be covered include, but are not limited to, basic camera functions, light use, portraiture and landscapes, and basic editing techniques. This course is for those using both digital point-and-shoot and DSLR cameras. Bring your camera. Tuition: \$25. FMI/Registration: 824-2780.

Saturday, June 13

Book talk and signing with local author Randall Probert; 1 p.m., Bethel Library (5 Broad Street, across from the Common). To celebrate the Bethel Moose Festival & Lottery, the Bethel Library presents Randall Probert, author of historical novels about the Maine woods, who will discuss his work. He will be on hand at noon to sign his books, which will be available to purchase. The event is free and open to the public. FMI: 824-2520.

Saturday, June 20

Maine Clean Elections House Party; 4 to 5:30 p.m., Crescent Park School cafeteria, Bethel. An MCCE organizer will attend, providing handouts and information. Sen. John Patrick may be able attend the second party and was elected with the help of public campaign funds. Light refreshment will be provided. FMI/RSVP: Seabury Lyon (sslyon@megalink.net or 207-381-0068).

Saturday, June 27

Bethel Rotary's Annual Yard Sale and Auction; Telstar High School, Bethel. Yard sale opens at 8 a.m. Auction preview at 5:30 followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. To donate items, please contact (207) 653-9297. Gift certificates, furniture, antiques and treasures at the auction. Proceeds benefit Rotary's scholarship program, local community projects and more. FMI: www.bethelrotary.org.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DO YOU CALL YELLOW BUGS WITH LOTS OF LEGS AND BIG MOUTHS?

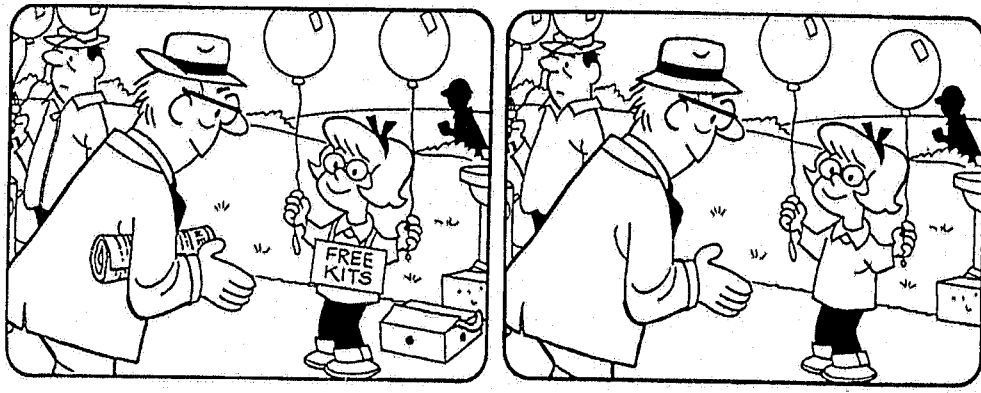
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TASTER	___	TEARS	VARIED	___	DIVER
CEREAL	___	CLEAR	CARTER	___	REACT
SPRINT	___	PINTS	HASSLE	___	LEASH

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Zipper is missing. 2. Hat is different. 3. Newspaper is missing. 4. Sign is missing. 5. Balloon is missing. 6. Box is missing.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Q equals E

EWJP BWJBQUJAJP X EQIQJHQJQJ

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AJ RAJHQUHATQ:

"X HQQJXPQU AJ PGWIQE."

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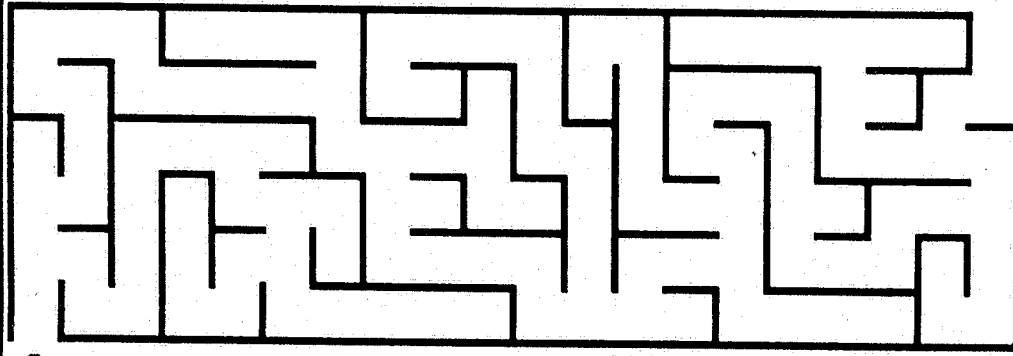
SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Demand
Decline
Wait
Mood
EARLOM

TODAY'S WORD

Kids' Maze

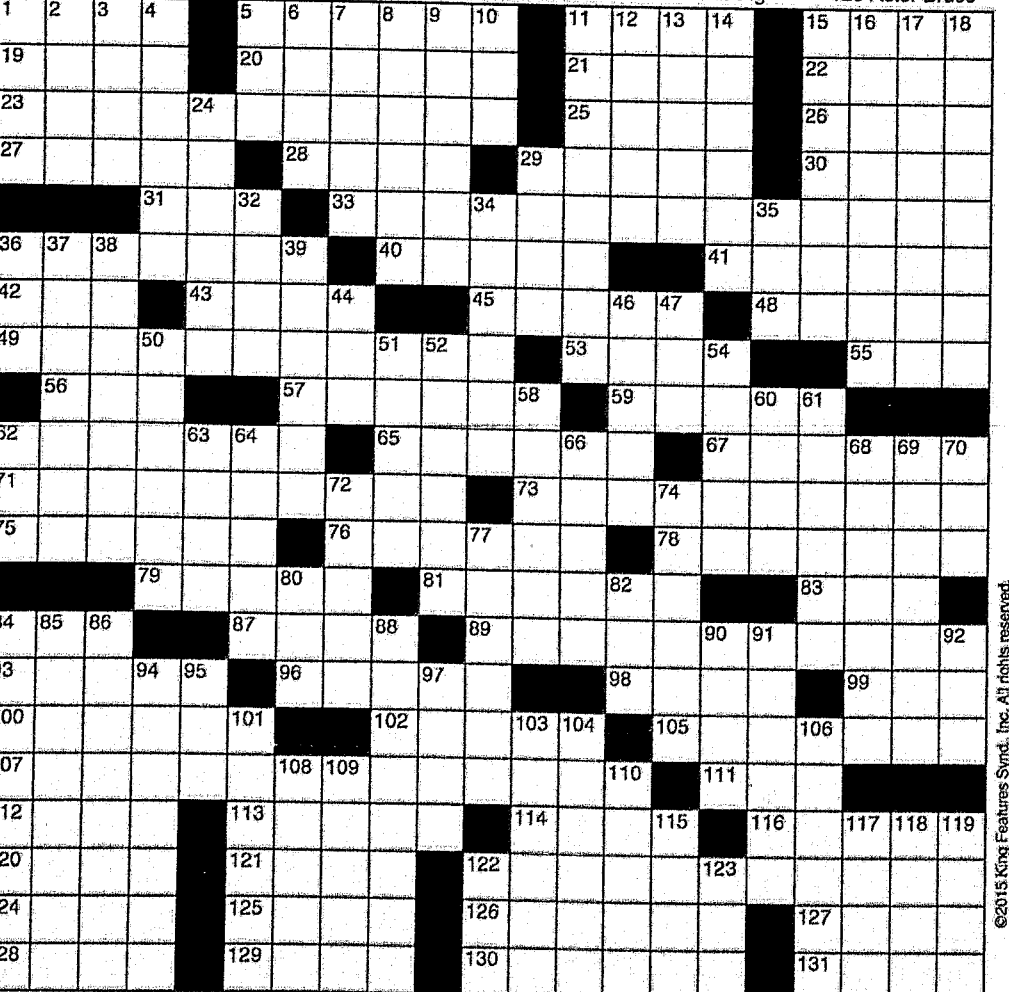


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Super Crossword

TWO-CHANNEL CONNECTION

- ACROSS
- 1 Old Glory, for one
 - 5 Up in smoke
 - 11 Refluxes of tides
 - 15 Ankle-knee connector
 - 19 I, to Greeks
 - 20 "Speak up!"
 - 21 Ark captain
 - 22 Chipotle item
 - 23 "Great job, play more!"
 - 25 Be sweet on
 - 26 Wilson of film
 - 27 One half of a 45
 - 28 Eat
 - 29 Slingy type
 - 30 Get a B, e.g.
 - 31 Mauna —
 - 33 Sharp rise in new findings?
 - 36 Napoleon's birthplace
 - 40 Gem, e.g.
 - 41 Writer — Jackson Braun
 - 42 — out (supplement)
 - 43 Ice matter
 - 45 — word (coinage for one occasion)
 - 48 Throbs
 - 49 Perpetual pampering?
- DOWN
- 2 Actress
 - 3 Just slightly
 - 4 Judges' mallets
 - 5 Bar drink
 - 6 Cherished
 - 7 Intelligible
 - 8 Hunky guy
 - 9 Most scant
 - 10 Before, to Kipling
 - 11 Spices up
 - 12 Idaho city
 - 13 Cake creator
 - 14 Singer Crow
 - 15 Cork up, as a bottle
 - 16 Maui native
 - 17 Emulate Tara Lipinski
 - 18 "Baloney!"
 - 24 Certain woodwind player
 - 29 Early hi-fi format
 - 32 Barry rich in antioxidants
 - 34 See eye to eye (with)
 - 35 Sis, say
 - 36 Frame of a cartoon
 - 37 Japanese island
 - 130 Pint-size
 - 131 Otherwise
 - 1 Small lies
 - 2 Draft-eligible
 - 3 Just slightly
 - 4 Judges' mallets
 - 5 Bar drink
 - 6 Cherished
 - 7 Intelligible
 - 8 Hunky guy
 - 9 Most scant
 - 10 Before, to Kipling
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 - 29 Early hi-fi format
 - 32 Barry rich in antioxidants
 - 34 See eye to eye (with)
 - 35 Sis, say
 - 36 Frame of a cartoon
 - 37 Japanese island
 - 82 However, briefly
 - 84 Pair of identical products sold as a unit
 - 85 Writer Steel
 - 86 "Babbitt" author Lewis
 - 88 White
 - 89 Rabbitt's woe
 - 90 Tree flutter
 - 91 New royal of 1981
 - 92 Kit —
 - 94 Confronts
 - 95 Canonized
 - 97 Walked (on)
 - 101 Slip away
 - 103 Electrical resistance measure
 - 104 Subject to legal action
 - 106 Singer
 - 108 Large city in Nebraska
 - 109 Ward off
 - 110 Ordinance
 - 115 Withered
 - 117 "You're on!"
 - 118 Mouth parts
 - 119 Lightish sword
 - 122 Salary ceiling
 - 123 Actor Bruce



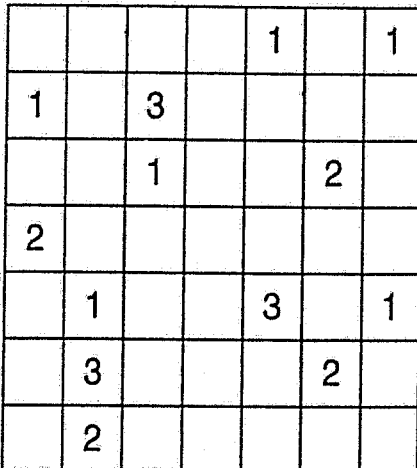
Kids' Maze Solution

Answers for Kids' Maze: 1. Teenager in gloves. 2. Teenager in gloves. 3. Teenager in gloves. 4. Teenager in gloves. 5. Teenager in gloves. 6. Teenager in gloves. 7. Teenager in gloves. 8. Teenager in gloves. 9. Teenager in gloves. 10. Teenager in gloves. 11. Teenager in gloves. 12. Teenager in gloves. 13. Teenager in gloves. 14. Teenager in gloves. 15. Teenager in gloves. 16. Teenager in gloves. 17. Teenager in gloves. 18. Teenager in gloves. 19. Teenager in gloves. 20. Teenager in gloves. 21. Teenager in gloves. 22. Teenager in gloves. 23. Teenager in gloves. 24. Teenager in gloves. 25. Teenager in gloves. 26. Teenager in gloves. 27. Teenager in gloves. 28. Teenager in gloves. 29. Teenager in gloves. 30. Teenager in gloves. 31. Teenager in gloves. 32. Teenager in gloves. 33. Teenager in gloves. 34. Teenager in gloves. 35. Teenager in gloves. 36. Teenager in gloves. 37. Teenager in gloves. 38. Teenager in gloves. 39. Teenager in gloves. 40. Teenager in gloves. 41. Teenager in gloves. 42. Teenager in gloves. 43. Teenager in gloves. 44. Teenager in gloves. 45. Teenager in gloves. 46. Teenager in gloves. 47. Teenager in gloves. 48. Teenager in gloves. 49. Teenager in gloves. 50. Teenager in gloves. 51. Teenager in gloves. 52. Teenager in gloves. 53. Teenager in gloves. 54. Teenager in gloves. 55. Teenager in gloves. 56. Teenager in gloves. 57. Teenager in gloves. 58. Teenager in gloves. 59. Teenager in gloves. 60. Teenager in gloves. 61. Teenager in gloves. 62. Teenager in gloves. 63. Teenager in gloves. 64. Teenager in gloves. 65. Teenager in gloves. 66. Teenager in gloves. 67. Teenager in gloves. 68. Teenager in gloves. 69. Teenager in gloves. 70. Teenager in gloves. 71. Teenager in gloves. 72. Teenager in gloves. 73. Teenager in gloves. 74. Teenager in gloves. 75. Teenager in gloves. 76. Teenager in gloves. 77. Teenager in gloves. 78. Teenager in gloves. 79. Teenager in gloves. 80. Teenager in gloves. 81. Teenager in gloves. 82. Teenager in gloves. 83. Teenager in gloves. 84. Teenager in gloves. 85. Teenager in gloves. 86. Teenager in gloves. 87. Teenager in gloves. 88. Teenager in gloves. 89. Teenager in gloves. 90. Teenager in gloves. 91. Teenager in gloves. 92. Teenager in gloves. 93. Teenager in gloves. 94. Teenager in gloves. 95. Teenager in gloves. 96. Teenager in gloves. 97. Teenager in gloves. 98. Teenager in gloves. 99. Teenager in gloves. 100. Teenager in gloves. 101. Teenager in gloves. 102. Teenager in gloves. 103. Teenager in gloves. 104. Teenager in gloves. 105. Teenager in gloves. 106. Teenager in gloves. 107. Teenager in gloves. 108. Teenager in gloves. 109. Teenager in gloves. 110. Teenager in gloves. 111. Teenager in gloves. 112. Teenager in gloves. 113. Teenager in gloves. 114. Teenager in gloves. 115. Teenager in gloves. 116. Teenager in gloves. 117. Teenager in gloves. 118. Teenager in gloves. 119. Teenager in gloves. 120. Teenager in gloves. 121. Teenager in gloves. 122. Teenager in gloves. 123. Teenager in gloves. 124. Teenager in gloves. 125. Teenager in gloves. 126. Teenager in gloves. 127. Teenager in gloves. 128. Teenager in gloves. 129. Teenager in gloves. 130. Teenager in gloves. 131. Teenager in gloves.

Star★Map

By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram below so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



DIFFICULTY: ★★
★Easy ★★Moderate ★★YOWZA!

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Answers

Answers

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School Lunch Menu

SAD 44 School Lunches May 7-15

Elementary Schools

Thursday: Italian Dunkers or hot dog in a roll, whole kernel corn, green salad, mixed fruit.

Friday: Italian sandwich or uncrustable sun butter sandwich and cheese stick, potato wedges, diced pears.

Monday: Chicken patty on a wholegrain bun with lettuce and tomato or sun butter and jelly sandwich with cheese stick, sweet potato fries, baked beans, apple.

Tuesday: Chef's salad with breadstick or Quick Pick with muffin, yogurt, cheese stick and baby carrots, mandarin oranges.

Wednesday: Chicken parmesan with pasta or ham and cheese sandwich, garlic bread, spinach salad with raisins, grapes.

Thursday: Super Nachos with salsa or sun butter and jelly sandwich with cheese stick, seasoned rice, green beans or turkey and cheese wrap, cereal and dried fruit mix.

Friday: Wholegrain pancakes with syrup, sliced ham, potato pancake or sun butter and fluff with cheese stick, cinnamon applesauce, fruit to go juice.

Telstar

Thursday: Italian Dunkers, hot dog in a roll, whole kernel corn, green salad, mixed fruit.

Friday: Cook's choice, potato wedges, diced pears.

Monday: Make your own rice bar with egg roll, sweet potato fries, baked beans, apple.

Tuesday: Chef's salad with breadstick, baby carrots, mandarin oranges.

Wednesday: Chicken parmesan with pasta or hot ham and cheese sandwich, garlic bread, spinach salad with raisins, grapes.

Thursday: Super Nachos with salsa, yellow rice, green beans, cereal and dried fruit mix.

Friday: Wholegrain pancakes with syrup, sliced ham, potato pancake, cinnamon applesauce.

*Available Daily: Hot and cold sandwiches, Quick Pic entrees, pizza, salads.

Local student recognized by Johns Hopkins

Cameron Simard, a high-achieving student from Newry, was honored as one of the brightest young students in the world at a regional awards ceremony for academically advanced children sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (CTY).

Cameron, a participant in the CTY Talent Search, was recognized for her exceptional performance on a rigorous, above-grade-level test given to academically talented second-through-eighth-grade students.

As part of the CTY Talent Search, advanced young learners take above-grade level tests that identify academic talent and reveal gaps between a child's academic program and her actual capacity for learning. Seventh and eighth graders take the SAT or ACT - the same tests used for college admissions. These students, along with second through sixth graders, can also take the School and College Ability Test (SCAT), an above-level test, or the Spatial Test Battery (STB), which measures spatial ability.

Cameron, a home-schooled student, was one of more than 33,000 students from 60-plus countries who participated in the CTY Talent Search this year by testing between March 2014 and February 2015. Because of the difficulty of the tests, only about 30 percent of students who participated earned an invitation to a CTY Awards Ceremony where they are individually honored for their academic performance and potential. Most students honored in 2015 CTY Award Ceremonies also qualified for CTY's summer courses and on-line classes.

"Congratulations to all of the outstanding young people recognized as part of the CTY Awards Ceremonies for their willingness to challenge themselves by taking a test originally designed for significantly older students," said Elaine Tuttle Hansen, executive director of CTY. "This is an opportunity to recognize these students' achievements but to also honor the parents and educators who have nurtured and supported their intellectual growth and development."

This spring, more than 8,470 CTY Talent Search honorees were invited to participate in 41 CTY Award Ceremonies across the U.S. and in China and Hong Kong.

Albany South walks offered

This Saturday, May 9, is the first of several walks that the Kezar Lake Watershed Association (KLWA) is offering around some of the proposed Albany South timber harvest units within our watershed.

Albany South is a large "integrated resource management project" of the White Mountain National Forest that stretches from Great Brook in the northern reaches of the Kezar Lake Watershed eastwards towards Route 5 in Stoneham.

Within the Kezar Lake Watershed, the Forest Service has created 56 timber harvest units, totaling 1212 acres, where logging will occur. These 1212 acres are in the vicinity of Great Brook which provides approximately 1/3 of Kezar Lake's inflowing water.

Since the Albany South proposal was released, the Forest Service has been collecting more information, reviewing comments received from concerned citizens, and considering alternatives to their original harvest plan.

This forested watershed is a valued resource, so we appreciate the time taken to study it carefully, to consider alternatives, and to grant time for folks to walk some of the harvest units and better understand the scope of the project.

KLWA's Albany South walks will be very informal—basically walks in the woods—with a goal to explore headwater streams and other water features within some of the proposed harvest units. We will be bushwhacking, so walking poles are recommended, along with water and bug dope, etc.

For each walk, we will meet at 154 Hut Road, at the corner of Hut Rd & Shirley Valley Lane. The walks will last 2-2.5 hours.

We will explore a different area on each walk, providing a great way to gain familiarity with the northern part of our watershed.

The walks are scheduled for: Saturday May 9, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday May 24, 1:30 p.m.; Saturday June 13, 9:30 a.m.; Saturday July 11, 1:30 p.m.

More walks can be provided if folks are interested.

For questions, contact Lucy LaCasse: wnder@aol.com; 207-928-3637; 207-883-3637.

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1. The Granite Ledge Road from Turbine Way Road to Redding Road.
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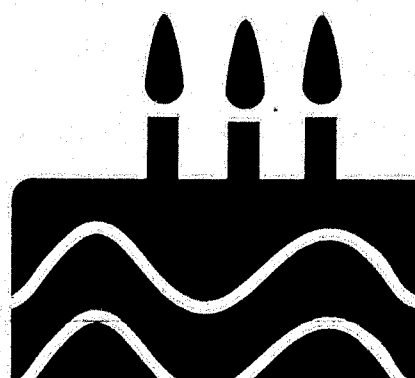
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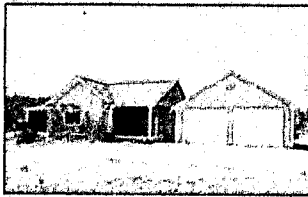
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Obituaries

THELMA REMINGTON

Thelma Elaine (Cushing) Remington, 85, a longtime resident of Bethel, passed away peacefully at Ledgewood Living Center on the evening of April 26, 2015.

Thelma was born May 5, 1929, in Andover to Edgar Lawrence Cushing and Florena Ethelyn Cole. After attending Andover High School, she married Clarence Albert Remington on Dec. 16, 1945.

Thelma and Clarence moved to Bethel where they became active in the local community. For years she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School and worked for MSAD 44 Adult Education. She volunteered at the Bethel Library and, at one time, read books to be recorded for the blind.

Thelma indulged in many hobbies. She loved knitting mittens, blankets, socks and other gifts for loved ones and the needy. She also acquired a passion for landscape painting, focusing on nature and wildlife.

An active member of the Bethel Church of the Nazarene, Thelma loved the Lord and often shared her faith with family and friends. She adored being with her grandchildren and developed a special

bond with each of them, earning the affectionate name of "Gummy." She possessed a well-known sense of humor and enjoyed making people laugh.

Thelma is survived by her sister, Lorena Simmons of Andover; four sons, Clarence "Sonny" Remington of North Carolina, Robert Remington and wife, Anita, of Bethel, Alan Remington of Alaska, and Thomas Remington and wife, Melinda, of Florida; a daughter, Janina, and husband, Dean Gross of Hanover; nine grandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her husband, Clarence Albert Remington, and her brother, William "Buddy" Cushing.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, June 7, 2015, at 2 p.m. at the Bethel Church of the Nazarene located at 16 Church Street in Bethel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Thelma's name to the Bethel Church of the Nazarene, 16 Church Street, Bethel, Maine 04217. Arrangements by Chandler Funeral Homes and Cremation Service, Vernon Street, Bethel. Condolences can be expressed to the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

Aging in Place presentation

"Aging in Place" will be presented by To Your Health of Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC) on Thursday, May 21, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Bethel Congregational Church Hall, 32 Church Street, Bethel. Aging in place refers to seniors remaining independently in their homes as they age.

This program is a follow-up to one held recently, "End of Life Care: Having the Conversation," which was attended by some 55 people from Bethel and surrounding areas. Statistics cited during the program indicate that 70 percent of people say they would prefer to die at home, but 70 percent die in a hospital, nursing home, or long-term facility. There is a movement across the United States and right here in Maine to create the kind of support that will permit people to stay in their own homes, even as they come to the end of their lives. The next program, "Aging in Place," will focus on how other towns in Maine are already doing this or are in the beginning stages.

In Maine, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) has created a network of "Age-Friendly Communities." Several towns, among them Ellsworth, Kennebunk and Bowdoinham, are developing a "village" model that creates a formal support network for senior citizens. Peter Morelli, Consultant for AARP's model, will be on hand to discuss this project.

Three presenters will explain the process used for starting their "village" models already being developed in Maine. These include Joe Perkins who will discuss "At Home Down East," Julie Allaire, representing "Kennebunk: No Place Like Home;" and Patricia Oh, for the Bowdoinham Project. These possibilities will be explored and how they could be implemented in the Greater Bethel area.

To Your Health is sponsored by WMSC will be the collaboration of the Bethel Family Health Center and MSAD 44/Continuing Education. The program is open to the public and admission is free. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Rosabelle Tift, 824-2053.

Maine Clean Elections 'House Party'

Reading and listening to the news has convinced many Mainers to unite in protecting our election process from big money - much of it from well outside our borders. The non-partisan, Maine Citizens for Clean Elections (MCCE), is formed to do just that. Getting the Clean Elections Initiative on the November ballot was a major first step.

The next step is a statewide series of "House Party" events intended to bring folks together to discuss objectives and plans for the summer. Maine citizens are invited to attend two "parties" in Bethel to learn more about the Initiative and how to stimulate wider support for it.

An MCCE organizer will attend, providing handouts and information. Sen. John Patrick may be able to attend the second party and was elected with the help of public campaign funds. Light refreshment will be provided. Updates will be provided as the event times grow closer.

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- NOTICE -

The Annual Meeting of the Bethel Riverside Cemetery Association will be held at the Bethel Airport Conference Center* on May 13, 2015 at 6:30pm.

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The regular monthly meeting will take place after the annual meeting.

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To all the friends and family of
Brian Tibbetts

We don't know how to begin to thank all those who have been here for us since the unexpected passing of Brian. Thank you for all the hugs, visits, prayers, cards, food, flowers, gifts and love!

A big thank you for all the help with the service - Scott, Pastor Dave, Howard, and Donny, Jewel & Maysa - and everyone that helped with the gathering after, especially to the Savages for everything you have done. It was just how he would have wanted it!

Thank you Rooster's Roadhouse for food & support. Special thanks to those who gave in Brian's memory to Cruze's education fund.

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